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THE SUCCESSION BILL.

THE MEASURE NEEDS A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

As it Now Stands, it Smacks too Much of Imperialism—Time to Be Taken in the Consideration of the New Scheme. Opinions—Washington News

WASHINGTON Jan 15 —On behalf of the committee on presidential laws Mr Caldwell of Tennessee called up the Hoar presidential succession bill By unanimous consent it was agreed that the debate should continue during the afternoon, Mr Caldwell reserving the right to call the previous question at any time

Mr Caldwell stated that the committee in reporting this measure had not dealt with indifference or disrespect with other propositions before it. There were many measures proposed that would more properly meet all possible or imaginary exigencies than the one now reported but they all required a constitutional amendment before they would become laws, and constitutional amendment involved a delay which would ill accord with the reasonable anxiety which the great body of the people felt There were many exigencies which the pending measure did not cover, but the present exigency it completely covered

Mr Cooper, of Ohio, who prepared the minority report, stated the reasons which impelled him to take a stand against the measure, and pointed out the objections which he considered as fatal to its utility He protested against the general principle of the bill, against the idea of vesting in the person occupying the presidential chair the power to perpetuate the succession by naming his successor He was profoundly doubtful of the constitutionality of a provision which would vest the presidency upon a man appointed by the outgoing administration He believed it to be in violation not only of the spirit and letter of the constitution, but of the spirit out of which the constitution rose, and was unwise legislation because it tended to widen the space between the president and the people He said if there were defects in the present law they should be remedied by carefully considered legislation What it was worth while for an American congress to do was worth doing well He could see no exigency which required red hot haste in passing this measure

Mr. McKinley, of Ohio gave notice of a substitute which he would offer for the bill This substitute preserves the law of 1792 with the addition of a provision that for the purpose of having a speaker of the house of representatives continually in office congress shall con[illegible] the 4th of March next [illegible]ing the election of representatives to congress and whenever a vacancy exists either in the office of president pro tem of the senate or speaker of the house, the president shall convene the house in which the vacancy exists for the purpose of electing a presiding officer

Mr Peters of Kansas regarded the pending measure as unconstitutional inexpedient and imp[illegible] But for those faults it was a pretty fair bill

Mr Seney, of Ohio believed that the presidential succession under the existing law was at best doubtful and uncertain He detailed the difficulties which might arise under the present system and the complications which might be thrust upon the country in the event of there being no president of the senate and no speaker of the house at the time of the presidential disability He earnestly advocated the passage of the pending measure, maintaining that it would remove many dangers from the path of the presidential succession.

Mr Cowles, of North Carolina, favored the bill, not because it was the best that could be devised, but because it was sufficient for the evil existing to-day

Mr Adams, of Illinois, submitted an argument in opposition to the bill which he regarded as a dangerous one The powers of the president were so vast, the splendor of the office was so captivating to the minds of even the wisest of American statesmen that the transfer even of the acting presidency from one man to another, ought not to be permitted to depend on a state of fact so hard to define and so hard to maintain as "disability" A president would rather have the duties of his office go half done, or not done at all, than admit his disability to his successor On the other hand, the secretary of state might hold that the question of disability must not be determined by the president, but that by mere operation of law the secretary becomes acting president.

Mr Rowell, of Illinois, characterized the bill as a crude one, and suggested that if the presiding officer of the senate was of the same party as the executive would not be the hot haste to amend a law which had stood for ninety four years.

The debate then closed, but will be resumed to-day after the transaction of private business

On motion of Mr Matson, of Indiana, Friday night sessions were ordered for the consideration of pension bills The house then at 5 30 adjourned

Senate

WASHINGTON, Jan 15 —Mr Brown called Mr Beck's silver resolution and addressed the senate at great length in opposition to the suspension of the coinage of silver Mr Brown took the ground that to meet the demand of the immense and growing business we could safely carry $400 000 000 more silver and then have less silver coin than France and Germany together and only a little more than France alone If the National banks attempt to demonetize silver said Mr Brown in conclusion and if the [illegible]ers who represent the people in the different departments of the government will take the matter in hand and fill the departments of the government with men who will apply the corrective and forfeit the charters of such banks as abuse their privileges

Mr Maxey followed on the same subject After an elaborate review of our financial history and our efforts to secure an international bimetallism Mr Maxey expressed [illegible] belief that legislative tinkering with monetary affairs had been the bane of the present century As to our bonds, Mr Maxey maintained [illegible] absurd to suppose that there ever was any contract or understanding to pay the bonds in gold since if the United States had all the gold ever coined they would not have one half enough to pay the debts Much had been said about the "honest dollar" There was but one honest dollar and that was the dollar of the contract Any smaller dollar was an injustice to the bondholder, any larger dollar was an injustice to the taxpayer It was useless to compare this country with European countries in their monetary relations An energetic enterprising, progressive people like those of the United States could not develop the immense resources of their country by copying the stationary notions of Europe The raid on silver was a European raid and if successful would inflict an incalculable injury on the United States.

The bugbear of silver so terrifying to the European money changers, had no terrors for the American people The people of the South, Mr Maxey continued were not grievously burdened with silver or any other money but if they should by chance find themselves hampered by a great weight of silver they could exchange it for paper certificates which when based on coin, dollar for dollar, were better than coin for actual use The suspension of silver coinage was but another name for the total stoppage of the coinage, and such suspension or stoppage would be fraught with the most serious consequences to the people What we needed in our dealing with the bondholders Mr Maxey insisted was a strong, unyielding vigorous enforcement of the contract made with them

At the conclusion of Mr Maxey's remarks the judicial salary bill was laid before the senate One of the sections of the bill provides that no person related within the degree of first cousin to a judge of the United States shall be appointed by such judge to any position in his court and that persons so related who now hold such offices shall not continue in office after six months from the passage of the act Some discussion arose on the last clause, which would legislate out of office the relatives now in office

Mr Edmunds was willing that such appointments should not be made in the future but thought it would work great hardship and injustice to legislate them out of office and moved to strike out the clause that would effect persons at present in office

Mr Coke opposed the motion If nepotism were objectionable, as to future appointments he thought it o[illegible] [illegible]orable to continue the nepotism that [illegible] existed

Mr Edmunds disclaimed any personal interest in his own amendment, having no relatives [illegible] within any degree of consanguinity [illegible] a judge But if so much was said of judges who had appointed relatives to office [illegible] senators forget that sons and kinsmen of senators themselves and of officers of state had been employed by those tribunals

"Even this reform administration," continued Mr Edmunds "this reform administration [illegible] the pictures of purity and grace and of everything that is lovely, has sent (and I can state as a public fact) to the senate the nomination of a father and son to go to the same place to exercise the functions [illegible] one under the other" After [illegible] the amendment of Mr Edmunds [illegible] agreed to At 5 p m, [illegible] ending the senate adjourned [illegible] next

The Telephone Case

WASHINGTON, Jan 15 —Secretary Lamar sent [illegible] General Goode his [illegible] conclusion in the telephone case [illegible] of the [illegible] to allow legal proceedings to be instituted in the courts in the name of the [illegible] to annul the Bell telephone patent The secretary takes strong ground in favor of a thorough judicial investigation [illegible] validity of the Bell patent Secretary Lamar closes his communication as follows

"It is manifest that a decision upon the merits of the controversy as to the validity of the patent is not embraced within the terms of your [illegible] The issue before [illegible] the ultimate merits of the case as a subject of judicial investigation As to what the final judgment should be I have not felt called upon to form and if I had formed I would not express an opinion The question is whether enough has been shown upon the hearing to require the submission of the matter to the court, at the instance of the government The proof adduced in support and defense is voluminous, and very conflicting in many respects It involves great scientific research and detail, and perhaps some intricate legal questions

"The allegations and the evidence touching the circumstances attending the issue of the patent are of such a nature and have such a support as to render it in my opinion improper to ignore or dismiss them Such a case is presented as I think ought to undergo thorough judicial investigation It appears that many suits have been pending and many are now pending between the corporation claiming this patent and others that assail it In none of the cases has there been or can there be, as I think, such thorough investigation and full adjudication as to the alleged frauds or mistakes occurring in the patent office in the issuance of the patent as could be had in a proceeding instituted and carried on by the goverment

"In a case involving such questions it seems to me especially imperative upon the government as duty to its own officers to vindicate or condemn and duty to the people to set on foot and follow up a complete investigation In my opinion the proceeding should be in the name and wholly by the government, not on the relation or for the benefit of all or any of the petitions, but in the interest of the government and the people and wholly at the expense and under the conduct and control of the government I think it should be instituted at the home and in such court as will best observe the purposes of public convenience and full inquiry Such a proceeding conducted will as I think comport with the dignity of the government and gravity of the subject and will insure a final and just adjudication of the merits of the controversy"

The First State Dinner

WASHINGTON Jan 15 —President Cleveland's first state dinner in honor of the cabinet occurred Covers were laid for [illegible] The guests included the members of the cabinet and their ladies Speaker and Mrs Carlisle Senator and Mrs Edmunds General and Mrs Sheridan Admiral [illegible] ex-Secretary McCulloch and Mrs [illegible] Senator Harris Hon Edward Cooper and Mrs Cooper and D W James and Mrs James of New York Mrs Utley and Miss Love, of Buffalo and Miss Weddell, of Cleveland Senator and Mrs. Sherman who had received invitation, were out of the city and unable to attend The parlors of the executive mansion were beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens

Postal Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Jan 15 —The receipts of the postoffice for the six months ended December 31 last show an increase over the corresponding six months of 1884 of $173,388 84 at thirty principal offices. The decrease on second class matter was $364,803, but this is more than overcome by the increase of $[illegible]7 191 in other classes of postage

Exports.

WASHINGTON, Jan 15 —The total value of exports of principal articles of provisions, such as beef, pork and dairy products, for the year ended December 31, 1885 amounted to $93,71[illegible],090, against $96 449 142 in 1884. The value of mineral oils exported during 1885 amounted to $40 108,511, against $49, 214 281 in 1884.

Kentucky Quarantine.

WASHINGTON, Jan 15 —Agricultural Commissioner Coleman at the request of Governor Knott, of Kentucky, decided to continue the quasi quarantine against the pleuro-pneumonia in that state until the legislature can take action on the matter

A Hendricks monument fund has been started in New York, Boston Philadelphia, Chicago, St Louis and other cities, and Judge John A Holman, of Indianapolis, is in Cincinnati arranging for a fund.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Topics of the Times Cut Short for Hasty Readers.

Admiral Porter is seriously ill

The late Mrs Gen Meade left an estate of $59 000

Gen Stephen J Meany, Irish patriot, is ill in New York.

Milwaukee will not be in the National Base Ball league

The government building at Pittsburg will be of granite

The Mississippi Valley Poultry club has opened a show in St Louis

Five hundred men struck in Levy Brother's tobacco factory New York

A large number of fishing vessels were wrecked off the Atlantic coast

The leading barbed wire manufacturers will form a national association

The Ohio Cidermakers' association met at Canton and elected officers for the year

Emigrant rates from New York to Chicago have been reduced from eight to seven dollars.

Congress.

In the senate Mr Hawley presided Senator Beck spoke about his refusal to present petitions for the suspension of silver coinage Mr Teller presented a memorial of the Colorado legislature for the free coinage of silver By a resolution of Mr Morgan that portion of the president's message relating to the Congo free state was referred to the committee on foreign relations Mr Morrill's resolution offered yesterday, calling for information about the number of unconfirmed internal revenue collectors now drawing pay, was amended to include back years and passed Mr Brown, of Georgia continued the silver debate in favor of continued coinage Mr Maxey followed in the same line The judicial salary bill was taken up and debated until 5 p m, when the senate adjourned until Monday In the house a number of unimportant resolutions were reported A bill was passed providing that judgments of the court of claims shall bear 3 per cent interest from the date of presentation for payment The presidential succession bill was taken up and debated Mr McKinley gave notice of a substitute he would offer Friday night sessions were ordered for the consideration of pension bills

Indications.

WASHINGTON, Jan 14 —Indications For Ohio valley and Tennessee, cloudy weather and local rains and snows, generally warmer, followed in the extreme western portion by a slight fall in temperature, easterly winds in Tennessee, variable winds, generally easterly in the Ohio valley, falling barometer

For Saturday Warmer weather, with local snows generally turning into rains are indicated for the Middle Atlantic states and Lower Lake region and warmer cloudy weather and local rains for the South Atlantic states.

COOK'S ASSAILANT.

The Big, Burly Negro Gets a Dose of Six Years.

PHILADELPHIA Jan 15 —Stephen McPherson, colored a large and powerful man, was placed on trial before Judge Thayer charged with assault and battery with intent to kill Robert J Cook, business manager of the Press On November 24 last McPherson pleaded guilty to a simple assault and battery, but on December 21 withdrew that plea and pleaded generally not guilty Mr Cook was examined and detailed the facts of the assault

The defendant then told an incredible story, when Judge Thayer told the jury that if McPherson's story were true there was not the slightest justification for his act

The jury convicted without leaving the box and the judge sentenced him to six years and six months in the eastern penitentiary at hard labor

Will be Sent Home.

NEW YORK, Jan 15 —The rescued sailors of the Hylton Castle will be sent back to England by the British consulate They will go by steamer on Saturday Capt Colvin of the ill fated vessel was around the city to-day receiving the congratulations of his friends He was apparently none the worse for the hardship he had endured All hands lost everything save the clothing they wore when they left the ship Four hundred dollars have been raised for the captain by the maritime exchange An official inquiry into the cause of the disaster will be had early next week.

The Gloucester Massachusetts, fishing schooner Mabel Dillaway, with sixteen men, is given up for lost

PARLIAMENT CHATTER.

THE BRADLAUGH INCIDENT TO REMAIN A MATTER OF RECORD

If He Sleeps, 'Tis Well, If He Becomes Active, the Law's Grip will Tighten Salisbury and Queen Vic—Railways in Persia—Foreign Affairs.

LONDON Jan 15 —The government leaders have decided to take no official notice of Mr Bradlaugh's act in taking the oath as a member of parliament for Northampton The letter of protest written by Sir Michael Hicks Beach to Speaker Peel was meant for the record and not for immediate effect. There are more pressing matters to be attended to between now and the 21st inst, and the Tory leaders are anxious to let the Bradlaugh incident drop It is possible, however, that some of their bigoted followers will exert a pressure which will compel the government to sue Mr Bradlaugh for the penalties prescribed in taking a false oath as a member of parliament If the courts declare that he was illegally sworn he can be compelled to pay £500 for each vote that he casts

Mr Bradlaugh's cause will be carefully watched by the strict constructionists, and if he becomes unusually troublesome, they will seek to remove or ruin him by law If he were content to be a silent member, dozing on an opposition bench and voting mechanically with his party, he would be welcome to sit in the house as long as his townsmen chose to keep him there. But Mr Bradlaugh could never be a silent member He is a reformer, an agitator and an iconoclast by instinct and by profession He has been cooling his heels in the ante-chambers of parliament for several years, and during the time he has formulated some notable schemes of reform, which he will very soon launch upon the house

Mr Bradlaugh addressed an enormous gathering of his adherents in the famous hall of science He was received with frantic enthusiasm Some of the men in the audience whooped for joy over his final triumph after so many rebuffs Mr Bradlaugh stated that he would forthwith begin a vigorous campaign in parliament for the reform of the land laws and the abolition of pensions

Lord Salisbury has gone to Osborne to confer with the queen upon certain pressing matters including the Samoa incident and the coming resignation of the Earl of Carnarvon as viceroy of Ireland Plenty of names are already mentioned for the succession to that office but there is reason to believe that for the present the position will remained unfilled

The resignation of Sir William Hart Dyke as chief secretary for Ireland is also imminent This will leave Lord Ashbourn chancellor of Ireland and in supreme command at Dublin until the fate of the government's Irish policy is determined Everybody admits that storm clouds are gathering over Ireland and Lord Carnarvon is morally and physically unfit for the rough work which is inevitable if Home Rule is long delayed

A dispatch from Teheran reports that the shah has revived the scheme for a vast railway and telegraph system throughout Persia He is said to be looking out for some enterprising European to undertake the putting of his plans into practical operation But after the melancholy experience of Baron Reuter some years ago it is doubtful if any one will care to accept the precarious honor of a Persian railway concession

The dispatch announcing the murder in a French railway carriage of M Barreme, prefect of the Eure, are supplemented in some of the evening papers by suggestions for lessening the opportunities offered for such crimes by the style of the carriages used on European railways The superiority of the American railway coach in this respect at least is conceded by all, practical demonstration having been afforded by the now general use of American sleeping coaches on the leading lines.

M Barreme's murder was a most brutal one His head was smashed almost to a pulp by some blunt weapon The fact that the eyes were bandaged would seem to indicate that several persons were implicated in the assault and that the unfortunate prefect was easily and completely overpowered and robbed, being afterward murdered As the corpse was found on the sleepers of a bridge it is conjectured that the murderers intended to remove all evidence of their crime by throwing the body of their victim into the river

Political gossip is not very lively People are tired of vainly conjecturing what particular move is most likely to be made by the party leaders next week, and are patiently waiting the actual denouement Nothing authentic can be learned as to what took place at the conference, between Mr Gladstone, Lord Ripon Earl Rosebery and other Liberal leaders There is pretty general impression however, that as yet no plans of action has been able to gain any thing like unanimous support among the Liberals

Michael Davitt.

DUBLIN, Jan 15 —Michael Davitt, who has long advocated Henry George's plan for the nationalization of land has written a letter approving Mr Giffen's plan for the purchase of all the agricultural land in Ireland by the imperial government and the renting of the farms to actual cultivators. He suggests that the terms of sale should be settled by an Anglo-Irish arbitration commission

Negotiating with the Pope.

BERLIN Jan 15 —The Vossische Zeitung says that secret negotiations are now going on between the German government and the Vatican with a view to obtaining the Pope's consent to the appointment of a papal nuncio to the German court and the transfer of the residence of the Archbishop of Posen to Berlin

No More Viceroy

LONDON, Jan 15 —The Daily Telegraph says that the government will introduce a bill at the opening of parliament abolishing the office of viceroy for Ireland and asserts that this is the main reason for the coming resignation of Earl Carnarvon the present lord lieutenant

Earl Spencer.

LONDON, Jan. 15 —It is currently reported in political circles that Earl Spencer, at one time lord lieutenant for Ireland under the Gladstone regime, has written to the ex premier notifying the latter of his entire acquiesence in his Irish Home Rule views.

Indebted 15,000,000 Marks.

BERLIN, Jan 15 —The members of the Bavarian cabinet having been forbidden to interfere with the affairs of the exchequer have all resigned The debts of the kingdom are placed 15,000,000 marks.

Starving.

DUBLIN, Jan 15 —A large party of laborers of Lismore, who have been without work for many weeks and were suffering for lack of food invaded the town hall during a meeting of the poor law guardians and demanded relief They threatened to plunder the farmers in the surrounding country if the demand was refused The poor law guardians replied that they had no authority to give outdoor relief, and that all the money at their disposal was needed to maintain the poor house

Regardless of Physicians.

BERLIN, Jan 15.—The Emperor William attended the opening of the Prussian diet, notwithstanding, the advice of his physicians to the contrary

CATHOLIC JUBILEE

The Pope Desires to Reform the People of His Church.

BALTIMORE, Jan 15 —Pope Leo XIII has addressed a letter to all the patriarchs, primates, archbishops, bishops, and other local ordinaries who have the favor and communion of the apostolic see, a copy of which has just reached Baltimore and is published in the Catholic Mirror The Pope decrees that during the year 1886, a jubilee be held throughout the whole church like unto the two extraordinary jubilees held since his accession to the chair of Saint Peter, the last one being in 1879 His holiness in explaining the reason and necessity for the jubilee, says

"In our last encyclical letter we showed how necessary it is that states should be molded on Christian truth and principles, so now it may be easily perceived how closely it agrees with our purpose in that letter to exert ourselves in every possible way to urge all men forward in the practice of the Christian virtues at or to bring them back to the same

"A state is such as the manners of its people make it. And just as the excellence of a ship or of a house depends on the excellence of each of its parts and the fit disposition of these parts, even so the course of public affairs in a nation can neither run on the right road nor uninterrupted unless its citizens follow a right rule of life The orderly government of a state, as well as all those conditions which go to make up public life, it depends on the citizens themselves to create or neglect Men stamp on public affairs the impress of their own private lives.

"In order, therefore, that our teaching may penetrate deeply into the minds of all, and what is most important that they may regulate the daily actions of men, we have to make every effort to induce them to think as becomes Christians, to live as becomes Christians, not in private life only, but also in public * * * The passions, so powerful by nature, have drawn still greater power from unrestrained liberty We daily see the madness begotten of the conflict of opinions, spreading further in the absence of all checks or through the actions of feeble preventives The popular manners are sadly corrupted by the influences of the very worst examples.

"There are criminal societies, that are thoughly skilled in the use of the most guilty artifices, and which impose themselves upon the people, laboring by might and main to turn men away from God, from the performance of the most sacred duties. With these evils pressing in upon us from all sides, and which their inveterances renders more formidable, we are bound to use every means that can afford even a hope of diminishing the mischief done. For this purpose, and with this hope, we proclaim this jubilee"

HOME AGAIN.

Newark's Dog-Bitten Boys Return from Paris—An Event.

NEW YORK, Jan 15.—The steamship Canada of the French Trans Atlantic line, steamed up the bay and through the North river to her pier Among the second cabin passengers were the Newark boys, Willie Lane, Eddie Ryan, Austin Fitzgerald and Patsy Reynolds, who were sent to Paris for treatment by Pasteur, the eminent specialist on hydrophobia

Accompaning the lads were Dr. Billings, of Newark, and Mrs Ryan, mother of Eddie The party left Havre on Saturday, January 2, and, although some heavy weather was encountered, the boys were not sea sick more than one day The most notable event of the voyage over, was the arrival of a boy baby, which was born to Mrs Ryan. When the vessel arrived at her wharf a large delegation from Newark crowded the pier, to welcome the returning party They went at once to their homes in Newark

Pilgrims to Pasteur.

BOSTON, Jan 15 —A Paris cable dispatch announced that Sullivan and Jacques, of Boston, had arrived, and that M. Pasteur had refused to inocculate the former, as seventy days had elapsed since he was bitten Jacques is Charles Jacobs, who graduated at Harvard as a classmate of President Eliott and who is now a well to do farmer in Groton John J Sullivan is his hired man Neither man has been bitten, but Sullivan permitted a pet dog that afterward died of suspected hydrophobia to lick an eruption on his chin while Jacques received upon abrasions on his hand saliva from a horse that he feared had been bitten by the dog Neither man showed signs of sickness but decided to try Pasteur's treatment as a preventive measure

George E Pomeroy Dead

TOLEDO O Jan 14 —Mr George E Pomeroy sr one of the oldest inhabitants of Toledo, is dead. The deceased was one of the originators of the express business and ran over the first express route which was established in New York as Pomeroy's express

THE MAD DOGS' VICTIMS

THREE MORE CHILDREN BITTEN AT MATAWAN, N J

The Brute Said to Be Rabid—It was Wounded by the Hound that Attacked Young Bucklin—Two Shots by a Brave Boy Kills the Beast.

NEW YORK, Jan 15 —The quiet little town of Matawan, N J, is again thrown into a ferment of excitement over the ravages of a mad dog It is just three weeks since young Ned Bucklin, who is at present in Paris under treatment by Pasteur was bitten by a mad dog Since then the people of Matawan have had an eye on every strange dog found unmuzzled and have had them shot by the dog catchers. The excitement wrought by the misfortune that befell young Bucklin had almost died out, when the startling news was spread that several school children while playing around the public school house were bitten by a mad dog The story at first was received with incredulity, but upon investigation it proved only too true

A reporter at once visited the homes of the children who had been bitten and gathered the details of the occurrence About half an hour previous to the opening of the school it appears a number of children, among them Lawrence Cartan, Annie Lambertson and Frank Haywood, were waiting for school to open While they were at play they noticed a dog approaching them, which seemed to snap at everything it passed. Like a flash the thought of young Bucklin's mishap came to them, and they were terror stricken.

A rush was made to get out of the dog's way and all of the little ones succeeded but the three mentioned The dog sprang at and bit each of them in turn. When the animal disappeared the children at once started for home and related their experience to their parents. Dr Jackson, a leading physician at Matawan, was at once summoned and cauterized the wounds. The most serious injury was that inflicted on young Hayward, who was bitten in the leg The limb within a few hours became greatly swollen from the bite

Little was at first thought of the bites inflicted upon the children until it became known that the dog that had attacked them belonged to a negro residing at "Africa," near Matawan, and was one of the four that had been bitten by the brute that bit Young Bucklin The other three dogs, belonging respectively to Elisha Ervins, William Rose and David Wood, showed symptoms of rabies some days ago and were killed A party of men at once volunteered, and a search was made for the mad brute The woods were scoured for miles by the men

About noon word was brought to Mr Lambertson's house that the dog was seen to enter the woods at Oak Shades, near Keyport Mrs Lambertson's eldest son, George, at once procured a revolver and started out to chase and kill the dog As he was about to enter the gates of the Shades he met the dog Just as it was making ready to pounce upon him he pulled his revolver and shot the beast in the head The dog fell back, but almost instantly sprang at young Lambertson But at that moment he received the contents of another barrel of the revolver between the eyes and he fell back dead

Dr Jackson it is said, will consult with Dr O Gorman of Newark, in reference to the children

It was reported that two children belonging to Mr Sullivan, at Oak Shades, were also bitten by the rabid dog

Horrible Death.

LISBURY, Md, Jan 15 —Dr W J Hall, of Baltimore, was killed at Berlin. While boarding the train it started, and the doctor, who was not quite on the car platform, was jammed between the steps and the high platform The train was immediately stopped Forty minutes elapsed before he could be gotten out of his terrible position The steps of the car and part of the platform had to be cut away before his dead body could be removed

Quotations of the Stock, Produce and Cattle Market, Jan 14.

Cincinnati

FLOUR—Fancy $4 40@4 75 family $4 00@4 2[illegible]

WHEAT—No 2 red 87@90c No 2 [illegible]@93c

CORN—No 3 mixed 37½@38c, No 2 mixed 3[illegible]@39c

OATS—No 3 mixed 31@31½c, No 2 mixed 32@32½c No 3 white 33@33½c

PORK—Family $10 3[illegible]½@10 50, regular $10 75@10 87½

BACON—Short clear sides 6 20@6 25c

LARD—Kettle 6[illegible]@6½c

CHEESE—Prime to choice Ohio 9½@10c, New York 10@11c Northwestern 8@9c

POULTRY—Choice full grown chickens $3 75@4 50 ducks $4 50@5 50 geese $5 50@6 50 per dozen live turkeys [illegible]@7½c

WOOL Unwashed medium clothing 24@25c; fine merino 20@21c, common, 15@16c fleece-washed medium clothing 30@31c, combing, 29@30c, fine merino X and XX, 30@35c burr and cots 17@20c, tub washed 28@34c, pulled 24@28c

HAY—No 1 timothy $12 50@13 00 No 2 $11 50@12.00 mixed $10 50@11 00 prairie $8 00@9 00, wheat, oats and rye straw $6 50@[illegible] 50

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers $4 00@4 60, fair $3 00@3 75, common $2 00@2 75 stockers and feeders $3 50@4 35 yearlings and calves, $2.50@3 50

HOGS—Selected butchers $3 90@4 0[illegible] fair to good packing $3 75@3 90, fair to good light $3 55@3 7[illegible] common $3 25@3 [illegible]5 culls $2 70@3 10

SHEEP—Common to fair $2 50@3 20 good to choice $[illegible]@4 25 common to fair lambs $3 25@4 00 good to choice $4 25@[illegible]

Pittsburg.

Grain market Demand restricted prices unchanged Wheat in fair milling demand long berry red $1 01@1 03 No 1 98@99c No 2 red, 96@[illegible] No 3 [illegible] Corn prices maintained [illegible] yellow [illegible]@41 high mixed 38@39c, mixed [illegible]@39 yellow shelled 40@41c high mixed [illegible]@37c mixed 35@37c Oats [illegible] No 1 white 38@38½c, No 2 [illegible] No 1 3[illegible]c mixed 32@33 Rye demand restricted Pennsylvania and Ohio [illegible] No 1 Western 68@[illegible]c No 2 [illegible] Barley dull Canada $1 00@1 02 No 2 94@95c No 1 85@8[illegible]c Western No 2 80@88c No 3 60@65c Lake Shore 85@90c, rejected, 50@55c

New York

WHEAT—No [illegible] red January 89½c, February 8[illegible]c March 91c April 93½@94½c. May [illegible]4c

CORN—Mixed January, 50¼c February, 48[illegible] March [illegible]

OATS—Western [illegible]@43c January, 36c, February [illegible]

CATTLE $2 [illegible]@5 [illegible] per 100 lbs live weight,

HOGS—$3 4[illegible]@3 80 per 100 lbs

SHEEP $2 [illegible]@4 75 per lbs live weight

COTTON—Quiet Middling uplands, 9½c, do Orleans 9¾c, January, 9 23, February, 9.28; March, 9 [illegible], April, 9 51, May 9 63; June 9 74;

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CARRISTON'S GIFT

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Author of "Called Back," "Dark Days," "A Family Affair," etc

[TOLD BY PHILIP BRAND M D, LONDON]

CHAPTER III.

In the spring of 1865 I went down to Bournemouth, to see for the last time an old friend who was dying of consumption During a great part of the journey down I had for a traveling companion a well dressed, gentlemanly man of about 40 years of age We were alone in the compartment, and after interchanging some small civilities, such as the barter of newspapers, slid into conversation

My fellow traveler seemed to be an intellectual man, and well posted up in the doings of the day He talked fluently and easily on various topics, and, judging by his talk, must have moved in good society Although I fancied his features bore traces of hard living and dissipation, he was not unprepossessing in appearance The greatest faults in his face were the remarkable thinness of his lips, and his eyes being a shade closer together than one cares to see With a casual acquaintance such peculiarities are of little moment, but for my part I should not choose one who possessed them for a friend without due trial and searching proof

At this time the English public were much interested in an important will case which was now being tried The reversion to a vast sum of money depended upon the testator's sanity or insanity Like most other people, we duly discussed the matter I suppose, from some of my remarks, my companion understood that I was a doctor. He asked me a good many technical questions, and I described several curious cases of mania which had come under my notice He seemed greatly interested in the subject

"You must sometimes find it hard to say where sanity ends and insanity begins," he said, thoughtfully

"Yes The boundary line is in some instances hard to define To give in such a dubious case an opinion which would satisfy myself I should want to have known the patient at the time he was considered quite sane"

"To mark the difference?"

"Exactly And to know the bent of the character For instance, there is a friend of mine. He was perfectly sane when last I saw him, but for all I know he may have made great progress the other way in the interval"

Then, without mentioning names, dates or places, I described Carriston's peculiar disposition to my intelligent listener He heard me with rapt interest

"You predict he will go mad?" he said

"Certainly not Unless anything unforeseen arises he will probably live and die as sane as you or I."

"Why did you fear for him, then?"

"For this reason I think that any sudden emotion—violent grief, for instance—any unexpected and crushing blow, might at once disturb the balance of his mind. Let his life run on in an even groove, and all will be well with him."

My companion was silent for a few moments.

"Did you mention your friend's name?" he asked.

I laughed. "Doctors never give names when they quote cases"

At the next station my companion left the train. He bade me a polite adieu, and thanked me for the pleasure my conversation had given him. After wondering what station in life he occupied I dismissed him from my mind, as one who had crossed my path for a short time and would probably never cross it again

Although I did not see Charles Carriston I received several letters from him during the course of the year He had not forgotten our undertaking to pass my next holiday together Early in the autumn, just as I was beginning to long with a passionate longing for open air and blue skies, a letter came from Carriston He was now, he said, roughing it in the Western Highlands He reminded me of last year's promise Could I get away from work now? Would I join him? If I did not care to visit Scotland, would I suggest some other place where he could join me? Still, the scenery by which he was now surrounded was superb, and the accommodation he had secured, if not luxurious, fairly comfortable. He thought we could not do better A postscript to his letter asked me to address him as Cecil Carr, not Charles Carriston. He had a reason for changing his name—a foolish reason, I should no doubt call it When we met he would let me know it

This letter at once decided me to accept his invitation. In a week's time my arrangements for leave of absence were complete, and I was speeding northward in the highest spirits, and well equipped with everything necessary for my favorite holiday pursuit I looked forward with the greatest pleasure to again meeting Carriston I found him at Callendar waiting for me The coach did not follow the route we were obliged to take in order to reach the somewhat unfrequented part of the country in which our tent was pitched, so my friend had secured the services of a primitive vehicle and a strong shaggy pony to bear us the remainder of the journey

So soon as our first hearty greetings were over, I proceeded to ascertain how the last year had treated Carriston I was both delighted and astonished at the great change for the better which had taken place in his manner no less than his appearance He looked far more robust, he seemed happier, brighter—altogether more like ordinary humanity Not only had he greeted me with almost boisterous glee but during our drive through the wonderful scenery he was in the gayest spirits and full of fun and anecdote. I congratulated him heartily upon the marked improvement in his health both mentally and physically

"Yes I am much better," he said "I followed a part of your advice—gave up moping, tried constant change of scene interested myself in many more things I am quite a different man"

"No supernatural visitations?" I asked, anxious to learn that his cure in that direction was complete

His face fell He hesitated a second before answering

"No—not now" he said "I fought against the strange feeling and I believe have got rid of it—at least I hope so

I said no more on the subject. Carriston plunged into a series of vivid and humorous descriptions of the varieties of Scotch character which he had met with during his stay He depicted his experiences so amusingly that I laughed heartily for many a mile.

"But why the change in your name?" I asked, when he paused for a moment in his merry talk.

He blushed, and looked rather ashamed. "I scarcely like to tell you you will think my reason so absurd

"Never mind. I don't judge you by the ordinary standard"

"Well, the fact is my cousin is also in Scotland. I feared if I gave my true name at the hotel at which I stayed on my way here he might by chance see it, and look me up in these wild regions"

"Well, and what if he did?"

"I can't tell you I hate to know I feel like it But I have always, perhaps without cause, been afraid of him—and this place is horribly lonely"

Now that I understood the meaning of his words I thought the boy must be joking, but the grave look on his face showed he was never farther from merriment

"Why, Carriston," I cried, "you are positively ridiculous about your cousin You can't think the man wants to murder you."

"I don't know what I think I am saying things to you which I ought not to say but every time I meet him I feel he hates me, and wishes me out of the world"

"Between wishing and doing there is a great difference. I dare say all this is fancy on your part"

"Perhaps so Anyway Cecil Carr is as good a name up here as Charles Carriston, so please humor my whim and say no more about it"

As it made no difference to me by what name he chose to call himself, I dropped the subject I knew of old that some of his strange prejudices were proof against any thing I could do to remove them

At last we reached our temporary abode It was a substantial, low built house owned and inhabited by a thrifty middle aged widow who, although well to do so far as the simple ideas of her neighbors went was nevertheless always willing to add to her resources by accommodating such stray tourists as wished to bury themselves for a day or two in solitude, or artists who like ourselves, preferred to enjoy the beauties of Nature undisturbed by the usual ebbing and flowing stream of sightseers

As Carriston asserted, the accommodation, if homely, was good enough for two single men the fare was plentiful, and our rooms were the picture of cleanliness After a cursory inspection I felt sure that I could for a few weeks make myself very happy in these quarters.

I had not been twenty four hours in the house before I found out one reason for the great change for the better in Charles Carriston's demeanor, knew why his step was lighter, his eye brighter, his voice gayer, and his whole bearing altered Whether the reason was a subject for congratulation or not I could not as yet say

The boy was in love in love as only a passionate romantic, imaginative nature can be and even then only once in a lifetime Heedless, headstrong, impulsive and entirely his own master, he had given his very heart and soul into the keeping of a woman

CHAPTER IV

That a man of Carriston's rank, breeding and refinement should meet his fate within the walls of a lonely farm house beyond the Trossachs, seems incredible One would scarcely expect to find among such humble surroundings a wife suitable to a man of his stamp And yet when I saw the woman who had won him, I neither wondered at the conquest, nor did I blame him for weakness.

I made the great discovery on the morning after my arrival Eager to taste the freshness of the morning air, I rose betimes and went for a short stroll I returned, and while standing at the door of the house, was positively startled by the beauty of a girl who passed me and entered, as if she were a regular inhabitant of the place. Not a rosy Scotch lassie, such as one would expect to find indigenous to the soil, but a slim, graceful girl, with delicate classical features A girl with a mass of knotted light hair, yet with the apparent anomaly, dark eyes eyelashes and eyebrows—a combination which to my mind, makes a style of beauty rare irresistible and dangerous above all others. The features which filled the exquisite oval of her face were refined and faultless. Her complexion was pale, but its pallor in no way suggested anything save perfect health. To cut my enthusiastic description short, I may at once say it has never been my good fortune to cast my eyes on a lovelier creature than this young girl

Although her dress was of the plainest and simplest description, no one could have mistaken her for a servant, and much as I admire the bonny, healthy Scotch country lassies I felt sure that mountain air had never reared a being of this ethereally beautiful type As she passed me I raised my hat instinctively She gracefully bent her golden head, and bade me a quiet but unembarrassed good morning My eyes followed her until she vanished at the end of the dark passage which led to the back of the house

Even during the brief glimpse I enjoyed of this fair unknown a strange idea occurred to me There was a remarkable likeness between her delicate features and those, scarcely less delicate, of Carriston This resemblance may have added to the interest the girl's appearance awoke in my mind Anyway I entered our sitting room, and, a prey to curiosity and perhaps hunger awaited with much impatience the appearance of Carriston—and breakfast.

I raised my hat instinctively

The former arrived first Generally speaking he was afoot long before I was but this morning we had reversed the usual order of things As soon as I saw him I cried

"Carriston, tell me at once who is the lovely girl I met outside An angel with dark eyes and golden hair Is she staying here like ourselves?"

A look of pleasure flashed into his eyes—a look which pretty well told me everything Nevertheless, he answered as carelessly as if such lovely young women were as common on the mountain side as rocks and brambles

"I expect you mean Miss Rowan a niece of our worthy landlady She lives with her

"She cannot be Scotch with such a face and eyes"

"Half and half Her father was called an Englishman but was I believe, of French extraction They say the name was originally Rohan."

Carriston seemed to have made close inquiries as to Miss Rowan's parentage

"But what brings her here?" I asked

"She has nowhere else to go Rowan was an artist He married a sister of our hostess and bore her away from her native land Some years ago she died leaving this one daughter Last year the father died, penniless, they tell me, so the girl has since lived with her only relative, her aunt."

"Well!" I said "as you seem to know all about her, you can introduce me by-and-by."

"With the greatest pleasure, if Miss Rowan permits" said Carriston I was glad to hear him give the conditional promise with as much respect to the lady's wishes as if she had been a duchess

Then, with the liberty a close friend may take, I drew toward me a portfolio, full, I presumed, of sketches of surrounding scenery To my surprise, Carriston jumped up hastily and snatched it from me "They are too bad to look at," he said As I struggled to regain possession sundry strings broke, and lo and behold! the floor was littered, not with delineations of rock, lake and torrent, but with images of the fair young girl I had seen a few minutes before Full face, profile, three-quarter face, five, even seven-eighth face, all were there—each study perfectly executed by Carriston's clever pencil I threw myself into a chair and laughed aloud, while the young man, blushing and discomfited quickly huddled the portraits between the covers, just as a genuine Scotch lassie bore in the plentiful and, to me, very welcome breakfast

Carriston did favor me with his company during the whole of that day, but, in spite of my having come to Scotland to enjoy his society that day from easily guessed reason, was the only one in which I had undisputed possession of my friend

Of course, I bantered him a great deal on the portfolio episode He took it in good part, attempting little or no defense Indeed before night he had told me with all a boy's fervor how he had loved Madeline Rowan at first sight, how in the short space of time which had elapsed since that meeting he had wooed her and won her, how good and beautiful she was, how he worshipped her how happy he felt how when I went south he should accompany me and after making a few necessary arrangements, return at once and bear his bride away

I could only listen to him and congratulate him It was not my place to act the elder, and advise him either for or against the marriage Carriston had only himself to please, and if he made a rash step, only himself to blame for the consequences And why should I have dissuaded—I who in two days envied the boy's good fortune?

I saw a great deal of Madeline Rowan. How strange and out of place her name and face seemed amid our surroundings If at first somewhat shy and retiring, she soon, if only for Carriston's sake consented to look upon me as a friend, and talked to me freely and unreservedly Then I found that her nature was as sweet as her face Such a conquest did she make of me that, save for one chimerical reason I should have felt quite certain that Carriston had chosen well and would be happy in wedding the girl of his choice, heedless of her humble position in the world, and absence of befitting wealth When once his wife, I felt sure that if he cared for her to win social success her looks and bearing would insure it, and from the great improvement which, as I have already said, I noticed in his health and spirits, I believed that his marriage would make his life longer, happier and better

Now for my objection, which seems almost a laughable one I objected on the score of the extraordinary resemblance, which, so far as a man may resemble a woman, existed between Charles Carriston and Madeline Rowan The more I saw them together, the more I was struck by it A stranger might well have taken them for twin brother and sister The same delicate features, drawn in the same lines, the same soft, dark, dreamy eyes, even the same shaped heads. Comparing the two, it needed no phrenologist or physiognomist to tell you where one excelled, the other excelled, where one failed, the other was wanting Now could I have selected a wife for my friend, I would have chosen one with habits and constitution entirely different from his own. She should have been a bright, bustling woman, with lots of energy and common sense—one who would have rattled him about and kept him going—not a lovely, dark eyed dreamy girl, who could for hours at a stretch make herself supremely happy if only sitting at her lover's feet and speaking no word Yet they were a handsome couple, and never have I seen two people so utterly devoted to each other as those two seemed to be during those autumn days which I spent with them

I soon had a clear proof of the closeness of their mental resemblance One evening Carriston, Madeline and I were sitting out of doors watching the gray mist deepening in the valley at our feet Two of the party were, of course, hand in hand the third seated at a discreet distance—not so far away as to preclude conversation, but far enough off to be able to pretend that he saw and heard only what was intended for his eyes and ears.

How certain topics, which I would have avoided discussing with Carriston, were started I hardly remember Probably some strange tale had been passed down from wilder and even more solitary regions than ours—some ridiculous tale of Highland superstition no doubt embellished and augmented by each one who repeated it to his fellows From her awed talk I soon found that Madeline Rowan perhaps by reason of the Scotch blood in her veins was as firm a believer in things visionary and beyond Nature as ever Charles Carriston in his time could be As soon as I could I stopped the talk and the next day finding the girl for a few minutes alone told her plainly that subjects of this kind should be kept as far as possible from her future husband's thoughts She promised obedience with dreamy eyes which looked as far away and full of visions as Carriston's

"By the by," I said "has he ever spoken to you about seeing strange things?"

"Yes he has hinted at it"

"And you believe him?"

"Of course I do—he told me so"

This was unanswerable "A pretty pair they will make" I muttered as Madeline slipped from me to welcome her lover who was approaching "They will see ghosts in every corner, and goblins behind every curtain

Nevertheless the young people had no doubts about their coming bliss Everything was going smoothly and pleasantly for them, Carriston had at once spoken to Madeline's aunt, and obtained the old Scotch woman's ready consent to their union I was rather vexed at his still keeping to his absurd whim and concealing his true name He said he was afraid of alarming the aunt by telling her he was passing under an alias, while if he gave Madeline his true reason for so doing she would be miserable Moreover I found he had formed the romantic plan of marrying her without telling her in what an enviable position she would be placed, so far as worldly gear went A kind of Lord of Burleigh surprise no doubt commended itself to his imaginative brain

The last day of my holiday came I bade a long and sad farewell to lake and mountain, and accompanied by Carriston, started for home I did not see the parting proper between the young people—that was far too sacred a thing to be intruded upon—but even when that protracted affair was over I waited many, many minutes while Carriston stood hand in hand with Madeline, comforting himself and her by reiterating Only six weeks—six short weeks! And then—and then! It was the girl who at last tore herself away, and then Carriston mounted reluctantly by my side on the rough vehicle.

From Edinburgh we traveled by the night train The greater part of the way we had the compartment to ourselves Carriston, as a lover will, talked of nothing but coming bliss and his plans for the future After a while I grew quite weary of the monotony of the subject, and at last dozed off, and for some little time slept The shrill whistle which told us a tunnel was at hand aroused me. My companion was sitting opposite to me, and as I glanced across at him my attention was arrested by the same strange, intense look which I had on a previous occasion at Bettws y Coed noticed in his eyes—the same fixed stare—the same obliviousness to all that was passing Remembering his request I shook him, somewhat roughly, back to his senses. He regarded me for a moment vacantly, then said

"Now I have found out what was wanting to make the power I told you of complete I could see her if I wished"

"Of course you can see her—in your mind's eye All lovers can do that"

"If I tried I could see her bodily—know exactly what she is doing" He spoke with an air of complete conviction

"Then I hope, for the sake of modesty, you won't try It is now nearly 2 o'clock She ought to be in bed and asleep"

I spoke lightly, thinking it better to try and laugh him out of his folly He took no notice of my sorry joke

"No," he said, quietly, "I am not going to try But I know now what was wanting Love—such love as mine—such love as hers—makes the connecting link, and enables sight or some other sense to cross over space and pass through every material obstacle"

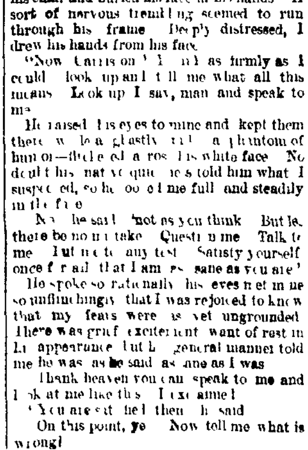
"Look here, Carriston" I said, seriously "you are talking like a madman I don't want to frighten you but I am bound both as a doctor and your sincere friend to tell you that unless you cure yourself of these absurd delusions they will grow upon you, develop fresh forms, and you will probably end your days under restraint Ask any doctor he will tell you the same"

"Doctors are a clever race," answered my strange young friend, "but they don't know everything

So saying he closed his eyes and appeared to sleep

We parted upon reaching London Many kind words and wishes passed between us, and I gave him some more well meant and I believed, needed warnings He was going down to see his uncle the baronet Then he had some matters to arrange with his lawyers and above all had to select a residence for himself and his wife He would no doubt be in London for a short time If possible he would come and see me Any way he would write and let me know the exact date of his approaching marriage If I could manage to come to it, so much the better If not he would try, as they passed through town, to bring his bride to pay me a flying and friendly visit He left me in the best of spirits, and I went back to my patients and worked hard to make up lost ground, and counteract whatever errors had been committed by my substitute

Some weeks afterward, late at night, while I was deep in a new and clever treatise on zymotics, a man haggard, wild, unshorn and unkempt rushed past my startled servant and entered the room in which I sat. He threw himself into a chair, and I was horrified to recognize in the intruder my clever and brilliant friend Charles Carriston!



He threw himself into a chair

CHAPTER V

"The end has come sooner than I expected These were the first words I muttered to myself as, waving my frightened servant away, I closed the door and stood alone with the supposed maniac He rose and wrung my hand, then without a word sank back in his chair and buried his face in his hands A sort of nervous trembling seemed to run through his frame Deeply distressed, I drew his hands from his face

"Now Carriston" I said as firmly as I could "look up and tell me what all this means Look up I say, man and speak to me"

He raised his eyes to mine and kept them there with a ghastly smile a phantom of humor—flickered across his white face No doubt his natural quickness told him what I suspected, so he looked me full and steadily in the face

"No" he said "not as you think But let there be no mistake Question me Talk to me Put me to any test Satisfy yourself once for all that I am as sane as you are"

He spoke so rationally his eyes met mine so unflinchingly that I was rejoiced to know that my fears were as yet ungrounded There was grief excitement want of rest in his appearance but his general manner told me he was as he said as sane as I was

"Thank heaven you can speak to me and look at me like this" I exclaimed

"You are satisfied then" he said

"On this point, yes Now tell me what is wrong!

Now that he had set my doubts at rest, his agitation and excitement seemed to return He grasped my hand convulsively

"Madeline!" he whispered "Madeline—my love—she is gone

"Gone! I repeated "Gone where?"

"She is gone I say—stolen from me by some black hearted traitor—perhaps forever Who can tell?"

"But Carriston surely in so short a time her love cannot have been won by another If so all I can say is——

"What!" he shouted. "You who have seen her! You in your wildest dreams to imagine that Madeline Rowan would leave me of her own free will No sir she has been stolen from me—entrapped—carried away—hidden But I will find her or I will kill the black-hearted villain who has done this"

He rose and paced the room His face was distorted with rage He clinched and unclinched his long slender hands.

"My dear fellow" I said "you are talking riddles. Sit down and tell me calmly what has happened But first of all, as you look utterly worn out I will ring for my man to get you some food"

"No" he said "I want nothing Weary I am, for I have been to Scotland and back as fast as man can travel I reached London a short time ago and after seeing one man have come straight to you, my old friend, for help—it may be for protection. But I have eaten and I have drunk knowing I must keep my health and strength"

However, I insisted upon some wine being brought He drank a glass, and then, with a strange, enforced calm, told me what had taken place His tale was this.

After we had parted company on our return from Scotland Carriston went down to the family seat in Oxfordshire and informed his uncle of the impending change in his life The baronet, an extremely old man, infirm and all but childish, troubled little about the matter Every acre of his large property was strictly entailed, so his pleasure or displeasure could make but little alteration in his nephew's prospects Still, he was the head of the family, and Carriston was in duty bound to make the important news known to him. The young man made no secret of his approaching marriage, so in a very short time every member of the family was aware that the heir and future head was about to ally himself to a nobody Knowing nothing of Madeline Rowan's rare beauty and sweet nature, Carriston's kinsmen and kinswomen were sparing with their congratulations Indeed, Mr Ralph Carriston, the cousin whose name was coupled with such absurd suspicions, went so far as to write a bitter, sarcastic letter, full of ironical felicitation This and Charles Carriston's haughty reply, did not make the affection between the cousins any stronger Moreover, shortly afterward the younger man heard that inquiries were being made in the neighborhood of Madeline's home as to her position and parentage Feeling sure that only his cousin Ralph could have had the curiosity to institute such inquiries he wrote and thanked him for the keen interest he was taking in his future welfare but suggested that hereafter Mr Carriston would apply to him direct for any information he wanted The two men were now no longer on speaking terms

Charles Carriston in his present frame of mind, cared little whether his relatives wished to bless or forbid the banns He was passionately in love and at once set about making arrangements for a speedy marriage. Although Madeline was still ignorant of the exalted position held by her lover—though she came to him absolutely penniless—he was resolved in the matter of money to treat her as generously as he would have treated the most eligible damsel in the country There were several legal questions to be settled respecting certain property he wished to settle upon her These of course caused delay As soon as they were adjusted it was his intention to go to Scotland and carry away his beautiful bride In the meantime he cast about for a residence

Somewhat Bohemian in his nature Carriston had no intention of settling down just yet to live the life of an ordinary moneyed Englishman His intention was to take Madeline abroad for some months He had fixed upon Cannes as a desirable place at which to winter but having grown somewhat tired of hotel life, wished to rent a furnished house He had received from an agent to whom he had been advised to apply the refusal of a house, which, from the glowing description given, seemed the one above all others he wanted As an early decision was insisted upon my impulsive young friend thought nothing of crossing the channel and running down to the south of France to see with his own eyes that the much lauded place was worthy of the fair being who was to be its temporary mistress

He wrote to Madeline and told her he was going from home for a few days. He said he should be traveling the greatest part of the time, so it would be no use her writing to him until his return He did not reveal the object of his journey Were Madeline to know it was to choose a winter residence at Cannes, she would be filled with amazement, and the innocent deception he was still keeping up would not be carried through to the romantic end which he pictured to himself.

The day before he started for France, Madeline wrote that her aunt was very unwell, but said nothing as to her malady causing any alarm Perhaps Carriston thought less about the old Scotch widow than her relationship and kindness to Miss Rowan merited He started on his travels without any forebodings of evil.

His journey to Cannes and back was hurried—he wasted no time on the road, but was delayed for two days at the place itself before he could make final arrangements with the owner and the present occupier of the house Thinking he was going to start every moment, he did not write to Madeline. At the rate at which he meant to return, a letter posted in England would reach her almost as quickly as if posted at Cannes

He reached his home which for the last few weeks had been Oxford, and found two letters waiting for him The first, dated on the day he left England, was from Madeline It told him that her aunt's illness had suddenly taken a fatal turn—that she had died that day almost without warning The second letter was anonymous

It was written apparently by a woman, and advised Mr Carr to look sharply after his lady love or he would find himself left in the lurch The writer would not be surprised to hear some fine day that she had eloped with a certain gentleman who should be nameless The presence of the probably an evil design of fortune spite Carriston treated it as it deserved—he tore it up and threw the pieces to the wind

But the thought of Madeline being alone at that lonely house troubled him greatly The dead woman had no sons or daughters—all the anxiety and responsibility connected with her affairs would fall upon the poor girl The next day he threw himself into the Scotch express and started for her far away home.

On arriving there he found it deserted by the rough farm servants left in charge of the establishment. Carriston was naturally questioned by Carriston. He heard that the funeral of Madeline's aunt had taken place, and that all questions by the girl's future had soon learned all they had to communicate

Little enough it was On the morning after the old woman's funeral Madeline had gone to Callendar to ask the advice of an old friend of her aunt as to what steps should now be taken She had neither been to this friend nor had she returned home She had however sent a message that she must go to London at once and would write from there This was the last heard of her—all that was known about her

Upon hearing this news Carriston became a prey to the acutest terror—an emotion which was quite inexplicable to the honest people his informant. The girl had gone but she had sent word whither she had gone. True they did not know the reason for her departure so sudden and without luggage of any description—true she had not written as promised but no doubt they would hear from her to-morrow Carriston knew better Without revealing the extent of his fears he flew back to Callendar Inquiries at the railway station informed him that she had gone or had purposed going to London but whether she ever reached it, or whether any trace of her could be found there was at least a matter of doubt. No good could be gained by remaining in Scotland so he traveled back at once to town half distracted sleepless and racking his brains to know where to look for her

"She has been decoyed away, he said in conclusion "She is hidden, imprisoned somewhere And I know as well as if he told me who has done this thing I can trace Ralph Carriston's cursed hand through it all"

I glanced at him askance. This morbid suspicion of his cousin amounted almost to monomania. He had told the tale of Madeline's disappearance clearly and tersely, but when he began to account for it, his theory was a wild and untenable one However much he suspected Ralph Carriston of longing to stand in his shoes, I could see no object for the crime of which he accused him—that of decoying away Madeline Rowan

"But why should he have done this?" I asked. "To prevent your marriage? You are young, he must have foreseen that you would marry some day"

Carriston leaned toward me, and dropped his voice to a whisper

"This is his reason," he said—"this is why I come to you You are not the only one who has entirely misread my nature, and seen a strong tendency to insanity in it. Of course I know that you are all wrong, but I know that Ralph Carriston has stolen my love—stolen her because he thinks and hopes that her loss will drive me mad—perhaps drive me to kill myself I went straight to him—I have just come from him Brand I tell you, that when I taxed him with the crime—when I raved at him—when I threatened to tear the life out of him—his cold wicked eyes leapt with joy I heard him mutter between his teeth, Men have been put in strait waistcoats for less than this Then I knew why he had done this I curbed myself and left him Most likely he will try to shut me up as a lunatic but I count on your protection—count on your help to find my love"

That any man could be guilty of such a subtle refinement of crime as that of which he accused his cousin seemed to me, if not impossible at least improbable But as at present there was no doubt about my friend's sanity I promised my aid readily

"And now" I said "my dear boy, I won't hear another word to-night Nothing can be done until to-morrow then we will consult as to what steps should be taken Drink this and go to bed—yes, you are as sane as I am but remember insomnia soon drives the strongest man out of his senses"

I poured out an opiate He drank it obediently Before I left him for the night I saw him in bed and sleeping a heavy sleep.

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GIRLS WHO WEAR GLASSES.

A Boston Girls' Experience With an Oculist of Repute—Fate Defied.

[Boston Cor Albany Journal]

Boston girls begin early to reflect the unmistakable Boston looks No matter how giddy they begin they end by wearing a determined independent, very recently gloomed expression as though their brains and their skin had just been sandpapered The really pretty ones are under 18 and wear their glossy hair in braids down their backs and sensible little suits with everything taut about them. Their complexions are fresh and rosy, their eyes bright and they have the air of perfect health. After 18, I regret to say, they are not so comely, unless heaven has intended they should eclipse their sister mortals and be known as "belles." Either the Boston girl is a victim of inherited myopia or she early acquires a weakness of vision by too close application to books, for their reputation for being addicted to eye-glasses is too true. Half the girls I met wore them. "What does it mean," I asked my companion, as a child of 10 passed by having on a pair of gold bowed spectacles, "what does it mean that the eyesight of Americans should be so defective? If this goes on, babies in arms will be wearing spectacles before they can talk."

My friend then told me of her experience with a highly reputed oculist whom she had consulted for an acute strain of the eyes several years ago She was always near sighted, inherited the difficulty, but only used glasses occasionally. One night she read by a flickering gas light and brought on a serious and painful inflammation of the eyeball. Various remedies were tried to allay the trouble without avail, and she then sent for the oculist in question for advice. He examined her thoroughly, sat her staring into brilliant flame shut her up in darkness pulled up first one eyelid, then the other, and finally announced there was a grave inequality of vision, one eye was doing all the work and the other was losing its sight. To make a long story short she was ordered not to look at a book or do any work of any kind for a month and then he would write a prescription for spectacles. "Spectacles!" she cried "no indeed If I must wear anything I shall wear eye glasses"

The oculist smiled grimly and replied eye glasses could not fit the vision It was impossible for an optician to make them, and she would eventually be blind if she did not put on the spectacles. He had ordered them for a great many persons who took immense comfort with them now But my friend is not a Bostonese, and she said, "I'll not join the spectacle brigade at whatever hazard" She did rest her eyes and she cured them of the acute strain and then she proceeded to an optician and ordered two pair of eye-glasses—one to use at theatres and other places where she wished to see from a distance the other pair to wear when reading Neither to wear permanently This was eleven years ago and she still has her eyesight in spite of what the oculist predicted It is stronger than then and she rarely has to use the second pair of eye glasses She declares that parents cannot be too wary about inflicting this blemish on their children's good looks that half of the weak vision is caused by carelessness and when once the glasses are put on they can never be taken off

The Benefits of the Civil War

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There was no time during the rebellion when I did not think and often say that the south was more to be benefited by defeat than the north The latter had the copest institutions and the territory to make a great and prosperous nation The former was burdened with an institution abhorrent to all civilized peoples not brought up under it and one which degraded labor kept it in ignorance and enervated the governing class. With the outside world at war with this institution they could not have extended their territory The labor of the country was not skilled, nor allowed to become so The whites could not toil without becoming degraded and those who did were denominated "poor white trash. The system of labor would have soon exhausted the soil and left the people poor The non slaveholders would have left the country and the small slaveholder must have sold out to his more fortunate neighbors Soon the slaves would have outnumbered the masters, and not being in sympathy with them, would have risen in their might and exterminated them The war was expensive to the south as well as the north, both in blood and treasure but it was worth all it cost.

MONTREAL, Jan. 7—It is understood that the United States commissioner has issued warrants for the arrest of a dozen Montreal furriers, jewelers and tailors who are suspected of smuggling goods into the United States. Should any of the men cross the border they would be arrested.

MARION WEEKLY STAR.

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WITH Sherman's return to the senate the McLean gang colleagues [illegible] Democrats are fully as welcome as [illegible] as republicans

NEITHER of our contemporaries can make mention of any political occurrence of the opposing party without adding a sneer at the close [illegible] nothing creditable in it

ENCOURAGED by the fact that they have a president and House of representatives claimants at the South for damages alleged to have been suffered during the war are coming forward in droves

THOSE who regard the house's expulsion of the nine members from Hamilton county should push the process of investigation and have the frauds from either or both sides ferreted out This will be the proper way to adjust all unfairness, if there be any

A WHOLESALE investigation is being pursued in the General Assembly. Those who fattened their purses in the election of Payne will get it the hardest as there is evidence floating in the air to convict Boodle republicans are also accused, and will be looked after with the rest of the $ $

A PRETTY little correspondence is Mr Gladstone's Three thousand letters a month, thirty six thousand a year, one hundred a day, is not bad for one man, exclusive it would appear, of indefinite quantities of newspapers, circulars, post cards and the like It is to be hoped the postage is fully prepaid

COLUMBUS has been a city of State conventions this week, and Gov Foraker has been before them all His impromptu speeches are all gems, and though his predecessor has an excellent reputation as an extemporaneous speaker, Foraker excels and promises to be a great deal more popular

MR CAMERON, of Marysville, introduced a bill in the house yesterday to revise section 3320 so as to require trains to stop at all county seats for passengers The present law requires them to stop at all towns of 3000 inhabitants, yet some go through Marion with her 5000 people at the rate of 25 miles per hour

UNCLE SAM will probably count his daughters two more this winter Dakota's claims to admission in the family cannot be consistently ignored, and the political complexion of the house makes it safe to bet on a democratic sister being admitted at the same time It will be Washington Territory.

THE members of the State Legislature have been forced to take notice of Col Donavin's charge that the Hon H B Payne bought his election to the United States Senate for $37,00 It is devoutly to be wished that the charges may prove to be unfounded, but it is absolutely necessary that they be so proven by a thorough examination

SHERMAN and Foraker both made the election frauds in this State the leading feature of their Columbus speeches, and in so doing reflect the persistent and popular demand for reform in Ohio It is hoped that the fraud system will be so completely knocked out by another election that there will never be occasion to refer to it again except as a relic of the rottenness of 1885

SAM P JONES, the revivalist with an originality of his own is preaching in Cincinnati to immense audiences Elder Jones' eccentricities probably have more to do with the unusual attention he is attracting than his religion At all events Mr Jones' daring attacks upon sinfulness on its own grounds and in the most vulnerable quarters entitle his mode of attack to great commendation

A BILL has been introduced in the house by Mr Farrar for the re enactment of the Scott law without the lien clause and McConnellsville ordinance feature also to prevent selling liquor to be drank on the premises, selling to minors drunkards, and on Sunday, as repealed by the Scott law These measures will probably pass and will give Ohio the best liquor laws that ever existed in the State

PERHAPS Senator Payne should not be held responsible for his financial election Col Olliver Payne his son worked up the "corner" on the office and as he is several times wealthier than his father he probably bought it as an appropriate present The Senator may have known nothing about [illegible] Olliver got possession [illegible] result feels some dislike [illegible] Col Donavin's pointed questions.

Now that [illegible] members of the democracy from Cincinnati have been expelled from the State legislature perhaps the authorities in Cincinnati will make stake to provide suitable punishment for the tricksters who sent them to Columbus

It appears that [illegible] A Lum [illegible] $1700 from Payne's election to the senate Col Donavin gives him credit with [illegible] amount and would [illegible] unless there were grounds for publishing such a fact

IN no city of the country do lottery schemes have greater freedom than in Washington [illegible] hundreds every month Congress should suppress the swindling devices which are [illegible] to the National Capital

THE State Department furnishes congress with a rather discouraging review of the latest efforts of this government to bring Europe to our way of thinking with regard to silver coinage Mr Manton Marble, its special agent found that the foreign governments were opposed to any change of policy If we insist on the coinage of silver we shall not get any help from abroad It may be a case of eleven obstinate jurymen, but it does seem as if most of the nations were disposed to let silver alone

THE Mansfield News has this to say about one of our congressmen "The majority of the House Committee on the election of President and Vice President, to which the Hoar Presidential Succession bill was referred have reported in favor of the passage of the bill Congressman Cooper of Ohio makes a minority report in which he calls attention to the defects of the bill and shows up its obnoxious features Col Cooper is a Knox county product and all Knox county men are level headed

THE selection of Mr Thurman on the second ballot as candidate for United States Senator by the democrats of the General Assembly was an empty compliment to the old veteran which he probably does not appreciate very highly The fine work of John R McLean and the other democratic tricksters has had no reference to Mr Thurman, and he may well ask himself whether if results had been different he would have received even the consideration of being mentioned in a democratic caucus.

IN concluding his address given the State Association of Wool Growers at Columbus yesterday, David Harpster, president of the association, spoke as follows "Then let us continue our organizations, county, state and national, encourage united action of all industries East West, North and South, and in selecting our rulers only those whom we know to be our friends and ere long the jack o'lantern of free trade will be hid by the bright rays shining out from the great light house of protection and American industries"

WHETHER or not Senator Payne sees fit to ask an investigation of the charges of corruption in connection with his election, it is well enough for the present General Assembly to go into an investigation of the charges of bribery made by Col Donavin against Messrs Cable, Welsh, Schultz, Baker, Hunt and other gentlemen now holding seats in the Legislature Under the laws of Ohio the convicted bribe taker is disqualified from holding any office in the State If the statesmen named above are guilty, as charged, they are not entitled to seats in the Legislature, but are entitled to berths in the penitentiary It is proper and right that such an investigation should be set on foot as will develope whether or not these gentlemen are occupying quarters in the wrong building in Columbus If they are not guilty no punishment can be too severe for the man who, through the public press, charges them with the crime of bribe taking

THE Delaware Herald, edited by T K Newcomer has this to say of Col Donavin and his letters to Payne Col S K Donavin has created something of a stir, that must command attention in his second open letter to Senator H B Payne He makes specific charges and names six senators and nine representatives, members of the last Legislature, whom he charges were paid for voting for Mr Payne for senator, giving the amount each received These are grave charges and, for the honor of individuals and the State must be met in a proper manner It is true that rumors were rife concerning these matters at the time and since the senatorial contest two years ago, but not until now have the charges been specific It will not do to say that Mr Donavin is not worthy of notice, etc S K Donavin occupies a prominent position in the councils of the democratic party of Ohio Even last fall the State Executive Committee had sought his services, judgment and experience and gave to him a conspicuous place in the secret councils of the committee, where he rendered services during the campaign.

LIFE IN THE SOUTHWEST.

HOW TEXAS WINDS LITERALLY PULL UP GRASS BY THE ROOTS

December Northers Which Respect Nothing Frightened Cattle and Horses Life on a Ranch A Delightful Existence

Some man who was until [illegible] judge [illegible] said that if [illegible] know what a wind really is [illegible] Texas and [illegible] hard here that the grass is blown by the root in many places and sprouts [illegible] to grow with the size of trees from the same cause A norther is a terrible wind peculiar to this state which seems to shrivel up everything it strikes in its relentless course over plain and hill [illegible] everything is sere and yellow excepting the tops of a few cottonwood trees which still present green crowns as they did in mid summer But even these must give way soon as the December northers respect nothing The dust whirls and dances along powdering everything so that there is a strange uniformity of color given to every place [illegible] red and nasty the red white gray and black one resembling each other in a remarkable degree The brands even appear indistinct which is saving a good deal for a brand full a foot in length as most Texan and Mexican brands are besides being as intricate and artistic as a Chinese letter of the alphabet No man can say whence they came or whither they are tending

WHEN THE WINDS WHISTLE WILDLY

There has always been something of a mystery about the scarcity of trees but the high winds readily solve it. Besides this there is a very uncanny appearance about a whirlwind of dust far off, and I have sometimes mistaken them for signal smokes of the Indians This is more easy on ground which has been burnt over, leaving ashes and coals lying on the surface Then away they fly straight up in the air, to be answered apparently in another direction by a similar pillar of smoke The inhabitants of the country are quite deft in these matters having learned much from their old ancestors of the forest and prairie No advantage can be taken of these smokers or whirlwinds so far as known to me, except by moving quickly into some gorge, sheltered from the storm and then letting the winds the winds whistle

Though the Texas climate is ordinarily so mild and serene there are times when it gets its back up and cuts up some didos which are the reverse of seemly and sedate to say the least of it Cattle get very much frightened at these times and gallop over immense stretches of country only stopping When thoroughly exhausted—hundreds run themselves to death. Horses too get possessed at such times and run as if the evil one himself were riding them fully booted and spurred The animals become mad with excitement and with flowing mane and tail go careering over the ground their eyes flashing and their sides heaving from violent exertion

When a norther changes into a snow storm there is liable to be a great deal of suffering both to man and beast The snow drives along thick and fast and being about half rain, whatever it touches soon becomes wet through and through, as it is exceedingly penetrating and tenacious No coat is proof against the moist influences and animals seek such shelter as can be obtained until if none be available their bones are apt to bleach upon the plain but with all this there is nothing like the mortality here which thins out the flocks and herds further north

LIFE ON A TEXAS RANCH

A ranch in this country is worth visiting and truly there must be a charm in living in it, as many people from the north take kindly to ranch life and will not change it for any other The building is not as a general thing very highly finished nor are the surroundings such as denote great wealth but the freedom from care and anxiety make it desirable and frequently homelike Cooks are plentiful, though not excellent and it is a happy thing therefore, that the inhabitants do not care much for what are known as creature comforts Ordinarily there are three or four Mexican herdsmen living near the main building who have wives and children to look after and support Being frugal people, this is not a difficult task, and it is really delightful to see how happily they get along Of the pomps and vanities of the world they know little about and care less

We burn live-oak wood here, which is nearly as heavy as stone-coal and makes equally as hot fire The tree is of low growth but plants its roots firmly among the rocks and then thrives. Whole mountain ranges have been denuded of this precious fuel but the hardy mountaineers are on hand to replenish whenever it is deemed necessary This wood makes a clean, nice fire, and does not pop or crackle at all while burning Those who are acquainted with the country find great quantities of it in unfrequented places and by paths A good log of it will last all day, and fortunately for us, we have good fireplaces in which to burn it such as our ancestors had many years ago. A room containing a fireplace has the best ventilation possible, and no foul odors can last long therein That is the reason why our ancestors had such a long and healthy lives they breathed pure air and ate wholesome food They were not stuffed up with the vapors of bituminous coal nor where they obliged to breathe the atmosphere over and over until there was no oxygen left in it.

Mesquite wood also makes an excellent fuel and in some places the long roots are dug up for this purpose, there being but a few scrubby bushes above ground caused by the searching winds and prairie fires. If you have ever eaten a piece of venison cooked in the open air on mesquite coals you need not look for any greater [illegible] on this earth for you will never find it Hunters live well at any rate when there is a good supply of game about and each one knows how to broil venison and make coffee —Texas Cor Chicago Times

A Prince Studying Ocean Currents

The prince [illegible] Monaco is making a systematic study [illegible] the ocean currents Last July he sa[illegible] large number of ingeniously arranged [illegible] barrels at [illegible] the Azores each float[illegible] a paper [illegible] languages [illegible] the time and place [illegible] and [illegible] the finder to [illegible] hour and place of his [illegible] to the nearest French [illegible] of these bottles have been found [illegible] Eastern Azores having followed a [illegible] direction instead of going to [illegible] expected Detroit Free Press

One Tribe of Good Indians

The Sampoel tribe of Indians who occupy the reservation between the Spokane and Nespielum rivers are said to be the most advanced and civilized race of Indians on the Pacific coast Their boast is that never has one of their tribe shed the blood of a white man

LOST MEMORY RESTORED

How the Forgotten Knowledge Was Recovered Flashed in a Moment

Two years ago a young man living in a Vermont village having [illegible] academic [illegible] [illegible] the first day [illegible] was taken ill [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] were gone and his mind [illegible] respect to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] himself [illegible] things carefully [illegible] that brought back his old knowledge [illegible] the young man in [illegible] a little and [illegible] and [illegible] all the work [illegible] He resumed the work and [illegible] tried to keep his mind from [illegible] itself about its loss of memory [illegible] weeks went by without bringing any change in his mental condition

On Sunday evening a stranger entered the church [illegible] one gazed carelessly around until his attention was attracted by the lamps on the wall He noticed that all the wicks were so carefully trimmed that there was not an irregular flame to be seen He wondered as to who could be the careful sexton, and happening to be in the place the following Sunday he again noticed the same uniform trimming of the wicks

Passing the church the next day and seeing the door open he walked quietly in and saw the young sexton sweeping out the central aisle Looking closely at the young man the stranger asked "Do you do all the work about the church?"

"Yes sir"

"Do you trim the lamps?"

"Yes sir"

"Why do you trim them in such a peculiar way"

"I don't know what you mean"

"Why the flames are all alike"

"Oh, but they ought to be You would not have them uneven would you?"

"No" answered the stranger with a smile "But it speaks well for your carefulness. Why I should think one of the flames would fit all the others exactly if it were superimposed on them"

"Superimposed isn't that word used in geometry?"

"Certainly If polygons having equal sides and angles—"

Before the stranger could finish his sentence the student threw down his broom, rushed frantically out of the church ran across the street and into his house where he astonished his mother by exclaiming in tones of triumph, "Mother I know that the square of the hypothenuse of a right angle triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides"

In a moment his school knowledge had come back to him flashed into his mind by the relation of the superimposed figures.—Philadelphia Call

Odd Utilization of a Cripple

The [illegible] utilization of a cripple is at one of the public gardens where pugnacity abounds The custom in such resorts is to employ a stalwart bouncer usually a professional pugilist or [illegible] whose hands are ready to grip a disturber of the peace for ejection or to double up in fists for pummeling him when necessary "Step in here with me for a minute" said a friend "and I'll show you that mind [illegible] beat muscle" We entered The familiar prize fighter was not pacing to and fro [illegible] to boisterous lubbers and a challenge to ambitious brawlers In his stead was a man five feet in height when he stood on the right leg and six inches shorter when he settled down on the left His shoulders were awry too and his pallid face, cadaverous and flaccid betokened an extremely low state of health This was the new enforcer of order among brutish quarrelsome and drunken loafers

"And he works to a charm" said my guide. "There used to be hard fights here every night It was accounted a proud feat to down the big bouncer and many undertook it The professional generally came off victor but the disturbances were dangerous because they might compel the police to raid the concern The proprietor's intellect came to the rescue This miserable cripple was a bar-tender The boss promoted him to the position of bouncer The idea was that nobody would attack or resist him So it turns out Wait awhile and see how he does it"

We took chairs in a corner and within half an hour two burly young ruffians got too noisy The cripple warned them to be quiet Then they became quarrelsome and wished to fight The decrepit official seized them by the arms and walked them straight out. They seemed at first to have a sneaking notion to obliterate him but his inadequacy was his protection and they made not the slightest resistance.—New York Cor Cincinnati Enquirer

How a Vicar Made Money

A highly edifying anecdote is told in The City Press of the manner in which a certain city vicar performs the duties of his parish This gentleman according to my contemporary has an income of £1 500 a year out of which he used to pay a curate £30 a year to do nearly the whole of the work The unfortunate curate asked that his salary should be raised to £25 and was promptly dismissed by his generous superior The vicar then found another curate who offered his services for nothing on condition that he was allowed to live in the vicar's house Being an absentee the worthy parson agreed but subsequently the new curate asked for a small salary when the vicar magnanimously consented to allow him to take in lodgers —Labouchere

The Increase of European People

M Levasseur computes that at the beginning of the eighteenth century there were [illegible] Europeans who lived in various lands outside of Europe Including these people the whole population of Europe was 1[illegible] At present there are [illegible] 000 living in other countries out the population [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] at that time [illegible]

Breathing Room Up in Alaska

Any [illegible] thoughts for breathing room should [illegible] Alaska. [illegible] has about [illegible] and its population is less than [illegible] every man woman and child Creole Aleut Indian and white [illegible] desiring to grow up with the country will find large opportunity in Alaska for practicing that theory —Buffalo Courier

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AN OLD FARMER

Escaped Prisoners Captured—Bringing in His Game

LITTLE ROCK Ark Jan 15 —A week or two since particulars were given of the escape by tunneling of a number of convicts employed in the mine at Coal Hill A number of officers, in hope of [illegible] reward for their capture went in pursuit of the prisoners following several [illegible] off toward the Indian Territory To the great surprise of the [illegible] an old farmer made his appearance at the camp and called for the captain He gave his name as James Johnson and had six of the [illegible] in tow all standing in a row with their hands on each other's shoulders and with lockstep He told [illegible] had heard of the escape and believing on account of the intensely cold weather the men would seek shelter instead of traveling decided to undertake their capture

He located them [illegible] and Monday night when they were [illegible] in a hay stack captured their guard and five of his companions The remainder escaped but he believes he knows their location He would give no information would not even wait for the reward and started off at once through the woods He told the officer when he left he would soon return with more of the convicts and would then take the reward for all he obtained The old pioneer who made the capture was armed with a double barrel shot gun one of the barrels being worthless He did not fire a shot in his capture Considerable interest in the case has been aroused and his return is awaited with anxiety

Actresses Voices and Tears

In a recently published article Clara Morris is reported to have spoken as follows of Sarah Bernhardt's voice

"Wonderful" she said "her intonation her command of her voice the musical modulation the intensity She seems to know just how far to go with it I remember seeing her act once and she allowed her voice to play on the feeling of the audience for a certain time and just as nearly every woman before her was on the point of crying Bernhardt cleared her voice changed its key, changed the whole meaning of the lines, and I who was as much worked up as any one in the audience and expected to cry the next moment got fooled I could have murdered her almost for spoiling that cry but she did it purposely as I afterward learned The voice betrays tears more quickly than the expression of the face I have learned that By training my voice in a certain key I can feel a situation more quickly than by trying to look what I express by the tone of my voice The voice plays upon the feelings of an audience more quickly than any look that was ever seen on an actress face It's a pity that a good many young actresses can't understand that voice needs more careful training than facial expression The expression of the face become a twin to the expression of the voice but the face must follow the words

Tears [illegible] asked the actress in reply to a question "Well one must either be a pump or else [illegible] [illegible] everything [illegible] follows me. Of course I feel a great [illegible] that [illegible] large [illegible] time [illegible] play [illegible] They [illegible]

The New Brazilian Slave Law

[illegible] from [illegible] years [illegible] 55 to 60 years [illegible] value of female slaves [illegible] lower than these rates.—Chicago Herald

SHERMAN IN OHIO.

The Senator Warmly Received at Columbus—Speech Making

COLUMBUS, Jan 15 —Hon. John Sherman arrived here and was immediately escorted to the house of representatives That body took a recess in honor of the guest, and the senate came over by invitation Representative Washburn delivered the address of welcome which was responded to by the senator A general public reception was held in the senate chamber There was an immense crowd of ladies and gentlemen [illegible] Governor Foraker made a short address of welcome to Senator Sherman, [illegible] the people as a man [illegible] most flattering comments, [illegible] personal and public character

As soon as Mr Foraker had closed Senator Sherman warmly thanked the members [illegible] honor of electing him to the United States Senate for the fifth time. He [illegible] man for whom he had [illegible] for the distinguished citizen [illegible] statesman, Judge Thurman who [illegible] the choice of the minority for senator Upon many questions that would come before the senate he would vote just as Thurman would have voted The most important duty of the legislature would be to carefully revise the election laws to prevent all frauds. The senator also called attention to the great importance to wise regulation of the liquor traffic There should [illegible] he said be some efficient remedy by arbitration or summary process to settle disputes between [illegible] and laborers

Grant's Determination at Fort Donelson

I saw [illegible] standing in knots, talking in the most [illegible] manner No officer seemed to be giving any directions. The soldiers had their muskets but no ammunition, while there were tons of it close at hand I heard some of the men say that the enemy had come out with knapsacks and haversacks filled with rations [illegible] seemed to think this indicated a determination on his part to stay out and fight just as long as the provisions held out I turned to Col. J D Webster [illegible] staff who was with me and said [illegible] men are pretty badly demoralized but the enemy must be more so, for he has attempted to force his way out but has fallen back the one who attacks first now will be victorious, and the enemy will have to be in a hurry if he gets ahead of me

I determined to make the assault at once [illegible] It was clear to my mind that the enemy had started to march out with his entire force except a few pickets and if [illegible] the left before the enemy could redistribute his forces along the line we would find but little opposition [illegible] the intervening abatis I [illegible] Webster to ride with me [illegible] call [illegible] we passed "Fill your cartridge boxes quick and get into line the enemy is trying to escape and he must not be permitted to do so" This acted like a charm [illegible] waited [illegible] to give [illegible] —Grant's Memoirs

The Merchant Navies of the World

A compilation of the strength of the merchant navies of the world which has just [illegible] shows that Great Britain [illegible] sail with [illegible] of 1 000 000 tons [illegible] with a [illegible] of [illegible] rather more than [illegible] half [illegible] of burden The United States [illegible] bad second with [illegible] sail [illegible] tons Norway has [illegible] and Germany [illegible] after her has [illegible] 000 sail [illegible] of 1 400 000 tons [illegible] France [illegible] Russia bring up the rear [illegible] 000 vessels. The [illegible] however, of great [illegible] total number of ships [illegible] in this regard France [illegible] he has but [illegible] to England's [illegible] her closely with 430 [illegible] tons —New York Sun

LOCAL NEWS.

FROM LAST SATURDAY'S DAILY.

—Three prisoners are registered at the county jail No transient boarders

—Miss Lue Norton, of Kenton, is the guest of Miss Lulu Fribley, on east Center street

—Will Bull is visiting in Dayton, the guest of his uncle, Mr Wm Mabley, and family

—The sidewalk ordinance should be remembered Sweep your sidewalk clear of snow

—Those who get samples of the Weekly Star need have no fear of having to pay for them.

—"Where can I get an education?" "At the Prospect Normal and Commercial School!"

—Miss Minnie Gregg, who has been confined to her home for the past week, is recovering from her indisposition

—Mrs H B Pennell, of Portland, Me, is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs J Fribley, on east Center street.

—The snow plow in the hands of corporation officers did good service cleaning crossings and sidewalks this morning

—Mrs G T Emerson, of Elkhart, Ind is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs I I Davids, and friends in this city

—The tintinnabulation of the sleigh-bells gave a merry sound during the falling snow but the flakes brought no joy to the poverty stricken

—A freight engine was derailed this morning while entering a switch in the C and A yards, but nothing of serious consequence resulted

—The Press thinks Marion don't enthuse very extensively over the projected new railroad that's to terminate within her corporate limits

—T B Prentice has returned from Boston, to transfer his dwelling to B Tristram Mr and Mrs Prentice will hereafter make Boston their home

—Cliff Kling has accepted a position in the hardware store of Haberman & Wilson and will have charge of the books Cliff is a good man for the place

—Only $1 50 for the Weekly Star one year, and a Coupon good for ONE DOLLAR in trade goes with it The best paper in the County thus cost but 50 cents per year Try it

—Those who persist in finding fault with the new postoffice and Postmaster Tristram are general kickers anyhow Of course everyone can not be perfectly satisfied but there is no use kicking, for the new postoffice is a fine one and B Tristram officiates in an admirable manner

—State school commissioner Brown reports 1,0[illegible] 468 pupils of school age in Ohio last September value of school houses, $2[illegible]69,757 teachers 24,628, pupils enrolled 774 0[illegible]0 average attendance, [illegible]17,569, receipts $13 628,909 33 expenditures $10,093,938 17

Dr Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" is a most powerful restorative tonic, and combines the most valuable nervine properties, especially adapted to the wants of debilitated ladies suffering from weak back, inward fever, congestion, inflammation, or ulceration, or from nervousness or neuralgic pains. By druggists

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The Z., Mt. V. and M. Elect Officers. Surveying [illegible] Forward [illegible]

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The stockholders of the Z [illegible] Mt Vernon and M[illegible] [illegible] yesterday afternoon [illegible] directors as follows [illegible] Rufus C [illegible] P Pinkerton Chas H [illegible] Frank N Wedge John I Yates J [illegible] M Pounc Jr Henry C W [illegible] W H Clark Wm A Cass [illegible] Albert [illegible]

[illegible] the directors [illegible] in January A D 188[illegible] [illegible] president Abner P Pinkerton vice president R[illegible] C B[illegible] secretary Frank N Wedge treasurer [illegible] John I Yates chief engineer

Col Yates said last night that he ex[illegible] to begin the survey by the first [illegible] and would submit the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] to begin work by July [illegible]

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY

—Union services were held at the M E Church last evening.

—Fourteen degrees below zero this morning "Cold, isn't it?"

—Neely Noble, a wealthy Morrow county farmer, has assigned to Jason J Cover, of Johnsville

—Mrs I A Merchant returned from Akron today, whither she had gone to attend the funeral of Mrs Orcutt

—Nine shivering tourists enjoyed the hospitality of the city prison Saturday night, but they didn't stay over Sunday.

—Miss Bertha Leffler came home from Columbus last Friday and spent Saturday and Sunday visiting parents in this city

—There was scarcely any trade whatever on Saturday The merchants will have their Saturday's trade early this week

—Will Bull returned home from Dayton today and will take his place behind the counter at the C and A eating house tonight

—The room in the Bennett block formerly occupied by the post office, is being arranged as fast as possible for occupancy by Moore Bros

—The polo team from McMurray & Fisher's carriage shops downed the Huber team three straight goals at the rink Saturday night in a very short time A fair crowd witnessed the game

—LaRue News John F Young, of Marion, O Deputy Grand Master of I O, O F for this district, was in LaRue, Monday and Tuesday, in connection with business matters pertaining to that order

—Only ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS for the Weekly Star one year, and a Coupon good for ONE DOLLAR in trade goes with it The best paper in the County thus costs but FIFTY CENTS per year Try it

—B Hall reached his 45th birthday yesterday, and when he finished breakfast his family gave him a handsome surprise in the form of a beautiful gold-headed cane He was too full for any utterance other than to express his thanks

—Benjamin F Taylor arrived from Cleveland this forenoon and is registered at the Ke[illegible] House He lectures at City Hall to-night on "What Made Him Do It or The Motive Power" The reputation of Mr Taylor as a lecturer alone should crowd the hall

—Findlay and Hocking Valley railway has been incorporated for $1 800 000 It runs from Findlay to Athens through Hancock Hardin, Wyandot Miami Marion Union Delaware, Franklin, Fairfield Hocking and Athens counties Work will begin in the spring

—Among the twenty or thirty who went to Columbus this morning to witness the inauguration of Gov Foraker, we note the following Chas Lederman D McWilliams, Jno F Monnett, Geo Smith Ben Rosenstein, Wesley Harsch, Sam Krause and J I McNeal and son Bert

—It is now apparent that the current rumor to the effect that Charles W Bradley would succeed Mr William Clements as general manager of the N Y, P and O, on January 1st was without foundation, as Mr Clements still holds the reins of his office and probably will for some time to come

—Owners of sleighs and cutters have been hustling around for the past day or two, and dust that has gathered in the upholstery and on the cushions for the past year has been put to flight The snow which fell within the past few days gives them a chance at that fine mid winter sport—sleigh riding

—The funeral of Jacob Ackva, who died yesterday evening at his home four and a half miles north of Marion, of dropsy will take place tomorrow at the new German Evangelical Protestant Church on east South street, at 1 o clock The procession will leave the house at 12 o clock Mr Ackva is well known to many of our citizens

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H HAINER St Louis Mo'

[illegible] Noonan Dead.

W[illegible] sorry at having to [illegible] our dear friend Master [illegible] at the home [illegible] street yesterday [illegible] several weeks [illegible] was obliged to take to [illegible] the doctor was called in [illegible] typhoid and pneumo[illegible]

[illegible] had just attained his [illegible] full vigor of an ac[illegible] the bloom of manhood, [illegible]

[illegible] young men [illegible] respected by all [illegible] and well liked by his associates The bereaved family have our most heartfelt sympathy. The deceased will be buried from St Mary's Church, Tuesday, at 8 a m

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Off For The Sunny South.

"Off for the Sunny South with mercury about zero," it should be written. On the morning train tomorrow the following party will leave for Florida T P Wallace wife and daughter Carrie Mrs E J Fairfield and daughters Alice and Mamie Dr R I Sweney and son Charley, Sanford Wilson, Wm Mounts and Mrs Emery Brewer and daughter Ella

The party will go to Merritt, where the Laphams are and there the most of them will remain until May E J Fairfield will join them in a short time

The Star wishes the party a safe and pleasant trip

An Unusual Scene

Was the one on the streets Saturday evening The threatening finger of the blizzard had hushed all business, and the only apparent motive of our citizens was to keep warm Now and then a passing sleigh and occasionally, a hurrying pedestrian was seen on the streets but the scene was nothing like the usual Saturday night The frost had hidden the interior of the stores from view and, had not a faint light shown through beautifully whitened glass, Marion would have looked forsaken

A Warning to Poets.

"The snow flakes are here" he exclaimed,
"And I thought I'd just step in and bring
A poem on Beautiful Snow"
——'——()——§——P——!!!!
(The Editor —"Harry, please straighten up the room.")
Well [illegible] grave will be green [illegible] spring
Tra-la la

A Last Appeal for Reform.

Mr Editor —In my previous articles I endeavored to point out the evil and danger of men and boys in a Christian land in time of profound peace, arming themselves with murderous weapons and cocealing them like thieves and robbers, are prepared to use them on the slightest occasions

The danger is great, not only to society generally, but to themselves, for many in consequence are sent to the penitentiary, notwithstanding the false sympathy of jurors

I have appealed to parents and guardians to break up this dangerous habit of carrying about concealed murderous weapons I have called upon all moral and peaceable citizens, and upon the ministers of the Gospel to exert their influence in this reform, and now, in conclusion I appeal to the civil authorities to execute the laws of the State

You are aware that the statutes of Ohio makes it a criminal offence to carry concealed weapons and yet, how many enforce this law? Do you not daily meet and converse with persons you know are armed in violation of the law? Do you quiet your consciences by the plea that no one complains, and you have no warrant to arrest?

You are executive officers, and the lives and property of the community are depending upon you for protection, and it is your duty to arrest every person you know is violating the law

If you see a thief carrying off stolen property, or an incendiary setting fire to a house, do you wait for a complaint or warrant? What is the use of policemen if not to arrest on view every violator of the law and turn him over to the proper authority for trial? Have you in this community ever arrested anyone and locked him up under the charge of carrying concealed weapons? Do you not know that there are hundreds in this town daily violating this statute? If you are not willing to execute the laws in obedience to your oaths, why do you accept offices?

I now make a last appeal to magistrates sheriffs marshals, constables and police to execute the laws and especially this one so long neglected It is quite possible that my appeal (to you and all others) will be disregarded, but if it is and any life be lost or any blood flows in consequence you cannot say you had not timely warning

It is not my province to judge, but I [illegible] commend [illegible] to your Heavenly Father [illegible] whether you have dis[illegible] your duties as parents, guardians, Christians and officers of the State

Reform

Anti-Vaccination Statistics.

[New York Letter]

At an anti vaccination meeting in New York at which Henry Bergh presided Dr Gunn read some statistics among which were the following Before Jenners time 18 8 per cent of small pox patients died To day, in spite of improved sanitary methods, 18 [illegible] per cent of patients die Before Jenner's day 30 people in 100 000 died from small pox To day 1 people in 1 000 000 die directly from vaccination In short he declared that neither reason authority nor results proved the advantage of vaccination Mr Bergh said the object of the meeting was not a fanatical crusade against vaccination but simply to get at the truth of the matter

His Wish Granted.

[Merchant Traveler.]

Mr Jobbleswizzle came in to supper, morose and sullen, and when Mrs J twitted him on some of his shortcomings he snapped out

If there's anything in this world I do like to see it's a fool"

Ah love she answered tenderly, do you My hand glass is right on my dressing and you have my permission to use it at any time you wish I do so love to have my us and enjoy himself"

EVOLUTION OF THE LAMP.

Origin and Changes of the Popular and Useful Household Ornament.

[Boston Globe]

As used by the Egyptians, Greeks, and Hebrews lamps were simply flat vessels, round or oblong in shape, at one end of which was a small handle, at the other a nozzle and with a large opening in the center into which the oil was poured. The oil commonly used was vegetable, but, according to Pliny, sometimes of liquid bitumen These lamps, many of very elegant form and ornamented with fanciful designs, were hung by chains to bronze candelabra. Tarentum and Ægina were especially famed for making them of great elegance.

Among the Canadian French the same low oval, metallic vessels, furnished as in early days with a handle at one end and a nozzle at the other may still be seen. Some are made to be carried in the hand, while others are suspended by chains in the middle of the room. The Hebrews kept their lamps burning all night, and this custom is still in vogue in Aleppo and Egypt. From the earliest times until within about a century the lamp remained about the same consisting simply of oil and a wick in some kind of a vessel. A complete revolution in artificial light was caused by the invention of M Ami Argand, in 1784, of a burner with a circular wick. The flame was thus supplied with an outer and inner current of air Argand was also the inventor of a glass chimney, as applied to his and other lamps. The so called astral lamps were provided with these circular wicks, the reservoir for the oil being arranged in the form of a hollow ring, enveloping the central stand that supported the burner In consequence of the peculiar shape given to the ring the lamp cast no shadow at a little distance off An ingenious piece of clockwork machinery was devised by Carcel in 1800 for pumping the oil from the reservoir at the foot of the lamp up to the burner, and thus supplying it always from the same point This lamp afterward slightly improved by others was in many respects the most perfect of these contrivances but its great cost prevented its general adoption. It was, furthermore, so large and heavy that it could be moved only with difficulty, and the very complicated nature of its mechanism required access to skilled workmen to keep it in repair A modification of the Carel lamp known as the Diacon was long popular in this country

In 1787 Peter Keir made the great invention—since fully developed by Aronson—of raising the supply of oil by means of another fluid with specific gravity greater than oil This fluid was generally a mixture of salt and water The "automaton" invented by Porter in 1804, was very ingenious. The lamp was suspended on an axis, counterbalanced by a weight so that it hung level when full but at an angle of 45 degrees when empty thus being fed evenly by the gradual ascent of the burners In 1823 Samuel Parker, Jr, made an important improvement the fixing of French chimneys upon burners by means of metal supports The difficulty of distinguishing between the countless inventions relative to lamps and those referring to general illumination does not appear great prior to 1865 when the production of petroleum greatly stimulated the study of practical methods of generating light.

It is remarkable that the invention of Hero of Alexandria in which the oil was raised by water involves the pressure principle since developed in nearly a hundred forms. It is adapted to any kind of inflammable fluid and while burning may be rolled upon the ground upset or reversed for any time without danger It is interesting to note that the most important recent inventions in lamps are chiefly American. A full description of them all would occupy volumes but it is safe to say that no other household article has undergone so many and such marked changes in the past century as the lamp

Temperature and Moisture in Mines.

[New York Sun]

Some experiments lately made in an English coal mine, relating to temperature and moisture at different seasons show some interesting facts. The hydrometer was placed as nearly as possible equidistant from roof, sides, and floor and the highest and lowest temperatures observed were, in summer, 88 degrees 63 minutes, and in winter, 84½ degrees 63 minutes The greatest and smallest amount of moisture in a cubic foot of air from the first working place to the return air was in summer, 11 1 grains 3½, and in winter, 9 55 grains 3½ The observations showed how quickly and readily the air assumed the temperature of the surrounding strata, which was, of course independent of surface temperature, and that the difference between the quantity of vapor in a cubic foot of air on the surface and in the return air was greater the lower the temperature was on the surface. The colder the air the less moisture it contained, and its absorbing power for moisture, and consequently its drying power, increased the hotter it became.

Trying to Qualify.

[Pittsburg Dispatch.]

A good story about that eternal duel question in France comes from Bordeaux Three year ago a young navy officer, having quarreled with a corn merchant of the town in a club, sent him his seconds on the following day Gentlemen said the corn merchant, I am quite willing to fight a duel with the lieutenant, but I do not think that our risks are equal He is a bachelor, and I have three children When he has three children I shall be at his disposal Lieut Carjuzac was obstinate A barber of the neighborhood had a pretty daughter He immediately courted her obtained her parents' consent, and married her in October, 1882 Ten months later he was presented with a boy and in 1884 the young officer was blessed with a daughter At last, to his great joy a third child was born three months ago He lost no time Taking his first two children in his arms, and ordering the nurse to follow him with the baby, he called on the corn merchant Well, said he to him in a triumphant tone, 'we can fight now I have three children.' Ah!" retorted his antagonist but I have five now"

Brevities

Waif Young doctor (anxious for business) —I say Brown you ought to get vaccinated It'll only cost you a dollar

Brown—But I've had the smallpox

Young doctor—That so! Then I'll make it fifty cents

Beacon A well-known author in a street car rising and giving his seat to a stout woman, who does not acknowledge the civility —I'm obliged to you, madam Stout Woman (flushing angrily) — For what, sir? Gentleman (courteously) — For taking my seat. Hilarity among the other passengers.

Brussels Independence How is this doctor, you charge me five francs a visit? It is less than I charge anybody else' That may be so, but then, you forgot that I was I who introduced the smallpox into the neighborhood"

A New Year's Farewell and Greeting.

"Good by Old Year,
Welcome home New Year"

"Mean About His Old Chickens."

[Arkansaw Traveler]

What are you doing there?" exclaimed a grocer, angrily turning upon an old negro who had just slipped a dressed chicken under his coat

'Jes' buttonin' up my coat, sah. Feels er slight change in de weder Hump," he said when he found that he could not button his coat 'I se gittin' so fat dat I'se out-growin' all my cloze. Wall, I mus' be goin'"

"Say, before you go, take that chicken out from under your coat and perhaps you can button it.'

"Whut chickin?"

"The one you've got under your coat."

"I declar, boss, yer's de mos' 'spicious pusson I eber seed in my life. Puts me in mine o' er gen'leman I knowd onct——"

'Never mind about gentlemen you have known Take that chicken from under your coat or I'll call a policeman."

'Whut, jes' fur er little bit uv er chickin like dis!' he asked, removing the chicken and throwing it into a tub. "W'y, boss, I'd hate mightily ter be ez close ez yerse'f is. Dat chickin ain' much bigger'n er snow bird, nohow"

'Now, get out of here"

Whut fur?'

"Because you are a thief"

'Yer ought ter be er shamed o' yerse'f ter talk dat er way ter ez ole er pusson ez I is. I wouldn' 'cuze er pusson o' steain' till I had dun prubed it on 'im Boss, ez yer ain' willin' ter trus' me, please, sah, step back dar by de stove an' git my hat fur me."

When the grocer had turned his back, the old rascal took up a large chicken and hid it under his coat

"Thankee, sah" he said, when the grocer had given him his hat. 'Mighty sorry dat yer 'spicioned me. Say, boss, de truf is I'se one o dese heah klipter maniacs'

'Yes, you are one of these klipter thieves."

'Wall I won't argy wid yer Good night I tell yer whut it is," he said to himself when he passed out, "er pusson got ter pay fur callin' me names. I puts er fine on 'em right dar Huh, whut er monstrous fine chickin dis is."

Knowledge Is Power

[Harper's Weekly]

The means taken by some persons for the acquisition of knowledge are occasionally very surprising In an Ohio village the other day a man found two kegs of gunpowder in the cellar of an old church which was used as a dwelling by his own family and a number of others He carried out one of the kegs, intending also to remove its fellow The first keg leaked, however, a little stream dribbled from it, reaching from the spot where the two kegs had stood together out into the street, and on noticing the street end, the man began to wonder whether the powder was dry or not, and touched a match to it in order to learn It was dry A fiery flash ran across the street, and down into the church cellar to the other keg, which was also free of moisture, and blew up. Such part of the church as was not demolished was set sadly askew The families above learned quite as much as the man had ascertained concerning the dryness of the powder and much more concerning its general effects, though fortunately no one suffered serious injury

Confessions of a Smoker

[Burdette in Brooklyn Eagle]

Yes it is a terrible bondage It is a slavery Yes I inhale the smoke and blow it out again. It is very silly is it not? I do the same thing with my breath Away with this useless breath Some breaths are much pleasanter far far away Why do I smoke cigars Because I am the biggest and the cigar cannot help itself It is an economical habit, the smoke of the cigar keeps the moths out of my hair

Then I use tobacco to preserve human life Science tells me that three drops of the oil of tobacco placed upon the tongue of a rattlesnake or dog will kill either or both of them in a minute I tremble to think how many times I walked in the very shadow of death before I began to carry a plug of tobacco around with me. Now when I meet a mad dog I am secure. He may bite me but I will kill him The cannibal who eats me will dream that night that he got hold of the wrong prescription

Long-lived Animals.

[London Journal]

The whale is said to live 500 or 1,000 years or thereabouts and he is a young crow that dies before he reaches his 100th birthday But how long do donkeys live? An authenticated story comes from the Scotch Highlands to the effect that a donkey died recently, the property of Mr Ross of Cromarty in whose family it had been for 105 years. It can be traced back to the year 1779 when it passed into the hands of the then Ross, of Cromarty though what was its age at the time no one can say Furthermore, its death was the result of an accident for it was "hale and hearty" when a kick from a horse ended its career There seems no reason to doubt the story We thus had, until the end of last week a donkey among us that was born about the same time as Sir Walter Scott, and whose parents if as long lived as itself may have been flourishing at the time of the plague.

An Electric Phenomenon

[Globe-Democrat]

When the construction of the great trunk subterranean telegraph lines in France and Germany was entered upon it was thought that, owing to their depth under ground and their sheathing of metal in contact with the earth, they would be exempt from the influence of atmospheric disturbances. M. Blavier, the well known electrician, has, nevertheless, pointed out recently to the French Academy of Sciences, that in time of storm currents are produced in these lines which discharge themselves through the lightning protectors, melting their fine wires They are, however, less violent than the currents in aerial wires, and do not appear to the interfere with the traffic

CITY TIME TABLE.

(Corrected Jan'y 8, 1886.)

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Arrive from West		Arrive from East.	
No 12	4 55am	No 88	9.15am
34	10 40am	1	8.17am
" 4	12.25pm	" 48	12.30pm
" 38	4 30pm	" 5	1.40pm
" 2	10 10pm	" 35	6.15pm
" 8	11 30pm	" 3	10.28pm

C, H. V. & T, R. R.

NORTH		SOUTH.	
Toledo Exp	6 22 a m	Columb's Exp	7 48 a m
Mail & Exp	12 01 p m	Mail & Exp	1 18 p m
Toledo Exp	6 52 p m	Columb's Exp	8 47 p m

C. C, C. & I, R. R.

EAST.		WEST	
No 8	3 28am	No 3	11.10am
No 12	10.32am	No 5	3.00pm
No 2	5.83pm	No 9	11.15pm
Local	12 45pm	Local	9.15am

CHICAGO AND ATLANTIC TIME CARD.

	Arrive		Leave
No 10	7 00pm	No 3	10.25pm
" 8	11 30pm	" 5	2.00pm
" 12	24 45am	1	8.35am
" 30	6 30pm	" 88	5.15am
" 32	11 00am	" 23	2.30pm

Father, Mother, and Three Sisters Dead.
Mr David Claypool, formerly Sergeant-at-Arms of the New Jersey Senate, and now Notary Public at Cedarville, Cumberland Co., N. J., makes the following startling statement: "My father, mother, and three sisters all died with consumption, and my lungs were so weak I raised blood. Nobody thought I could live. My work (ship-smithing) was very straining on me with my weak constitution, and I was rapidly going to the grave. While in this condition I commenced using Mishler's Herb Bitters, and it saved my life. Because it was so difficult to get it in this little place, and I had improved so much, I stopped taking it for a time, and the result is that I have commenced going rapidly down hill again Somehow, Mishler's Herb Bitters gives appetite and strengthens and builds me up as nothing else does, and I must have a dozen bottles at once. Use this communication as you please, and if any one wants to be convinced of its truth, let them write me and I will make affidavit to it, for I owe my life to Mishler's Herb Bitters"
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IT is Governor Foraker now, and a good administration is confidently expected. There will be no disappointment

THE women were allowed to vote at a recent election in Toronto, Canada, and a liquor question was up for settlement Not necessary to mention the result

THE Edmunds bill confiscating the estates of the Mormon church, passed the Senate by a vote of 37 to 7, and is awaiting a concurrent action in the *House*. The Mormons must go

DURING the past year 237 manufacturers and dealers in this country were boycotted by various organizations Of these boycotts, 99 are said to have accomplished their object, 24 failed, and 114 are still on.

THE Enquirer is howling about gigantic republican frauds in Cincinnati If there is any truth in it, show them up and have the tricksters properly punished. Honest democrats and republicans want fraud punished on both sides

THE sunny South is experiencing a cold snap with the rest of shivering humanity. The dispatches this morning say that the mercury bobs around from 1 to 10 degrees above zero, and the teeth of the natives chatter with the chilly zephyrs.

THE story goes that 1400 Kentuckians have applied for office since Mr Cleveland has been inaugurated Of the other two male citizens in the State, one is editing the Courier Journal and the other is running a distillery in one of the back counties

THE democratic proposition to divide Dakota Territory into two parts and admit it as two States, proves conclusively that there is justice in *Dakota's claim for admission* As a whole the territory is republican , divided, one part is democratic and the other republican

OHIO was well cared for in the deal of *House committees, receiving* three chairmanships and getting representation on most of the important committees. It is noted that in the distribution of chairmanships the South receives *the lion's* share, having thirty *out of the forty* eight.

THOSE who had thought Allen O Myers retired from politics are disappointed, though Allen was forcibly reminded that he was no longer needed, at the last election. Through Lieut. Gov Warwick Allen has had more to say in the democratic senate than the foremost and honestly elected members.

THE General Assembly of the State of Ohio met in joint session today and elected John Sherman to the U. S Senate. The democrats of course gave the Old Roman a complimentary vote Now those who were incredulous as to Sherman's return to the senate, can realize how groundless such fears when in face of the will of the old Statesman's constituency.

THE friends of the tariff will be pleased with the fact that Major McKinley has been continued as a member of the Ways and Means committe. The committee is overwhelmingly opposed to the views of this able and vigilant champion of the protective policy, and he will not be able to thwart attempted legislation for reducing the tariff , but whatever may be done by the minority in the interest of American industries, Major McKinley may be trusted to discern and accomplish

THERE is a bill before the United States Senate, introduced by Senator Ingalls, to establish in the District of Columbia a university to be known as "The National University of America" It is provided in the bill that instruction shall be afforded in the highest branches of all departments of knowledge and facilities furnished for research and investigation. Such instruction *shall be as nearly free* as is consistent with the income, and no person shall be admitted for regular study and graduation who has not previously received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, or a degree of equal value, from *some recognized institution* States and Territories shall be entitled to scholarship in the ratio of one for each representative or delegate and two for each Senator, which scholarships shall secure free instruction for five years It is provided that no chair for instruction, sectarian in religion or partisan in politics, shall be maintained, and no sectarian nor partisan test shall be allowed in selecting officers or professors

THE proposition to increase the salaries of the Governor and other state officers has been defeated in the Legislature not because it is thought they ought not to be increased, but because the state officers elect, having accepted nominations *under the present law, have, so to speak,* entered into contract with the state to serve at the present rate of compensation That is to say, the State is under no obligation to pay its servants what they *ought to have, but what they are willing to take, for their services*

IT is said that Senator Sherman already begins to regret having accepted the position of President of the Senate, *for the reason* that he finds himself little better than a figurehead in that body He is practically lost from the debates of the Senate, in which he was wont to take an active part, and is liable to lose a great deal of the public *prestige* which comes of identification with the controversies of the Senate The experience of Mr Edmunds is cited as showing how easily a senator's power and popularity, in a public way, may wane when he is no longer heard *on the floor* It would not be surprising if he decided that a return to the floor would be more congenial and more advantageous.

A NOVEL *suit at law has* just been decided in a Trenton, New Jersey, court One Rudolph Solomon whose name indicates that he is of Hebrew extraction, is the possessor of valuable secrets in connection with the manufacture of Cordovan leather He had in his employ two men, who discovered the secrets, and then made arrangements to go into business on their own account. The court was appealed to, to enjoin those two men *from making use of,* or divulging the secrets of their employer, and the injunction was granted They are, therefore, compelled by law to keep the manufacturer's secret This would seem to be something of a hardship It would *be particularly severe, if* the parties upon whom the injunction rests were women.

OHIO STATE JOURNAL, Wednesday — The action of the House yesterday in seating nine republican representatives from Hamilton county is specifically without prejudice to proceedings in contest It simply makes the republicans *the contestees* and the democrats the contestants There was no going behind the returns The prima facia evidence on the face of those returns, bearing the undisputed forgeries, entitled the republicans to at least the right of *defendant in the case* No one can dispute that men who were so evidently elected should be allowed to represent a constituency of over sixty thousand in the election of a United States senator The unseated men *can not claim* that their place has been prejudiced They will be given a full and fair hearing before the committee on privileges and elections if they have any grounds for their claims and desire to contest At *any rate in the case of Harlan vs* Butterfield there will be a thorough investigation, and it should proceed without delay The fact that Mr Harlan was not also seated because the face of the forged returns was not sufficient alone to do it, shows plainly the line of action It is not only legal but eminently just. The report of the committee and Colonel Poorman's statement are so clear and explicit on this point that no comment is necessary.

A Speculator's Wife.

[Detroit Free Press.]

The wife of a Detroit speculator went east a few days ago to visit friends in the Mohawk valley of New York In due time he received a letter from her announcing her safe arrival, and adding

'I am going to show you that a woman knows how to speculate as well as a man. Apples are much cheaper here than in Detroit, and I am going to buy and ship a car *load on speculation.*

The thermometer was at zero, and the man pranced around like a crazy steer She could not be reached by telegraph and the letter he sent in reply had not been gone two hours when he received a second, which said

'Inclosed you will find the shipping bill of the car load of apples. Don't sell one of them at less than $2 a barrel and don't never say again that women don't know how to turn a dollar to account '

Yesterday the man went down to look at the car Every apple was of course frozen as hard as a stone, and when the freight agent asked, "What blanked fool shipped you apples in this sort of weather? it seemed to be a great satisfaction to reply

'My wife, sir—my wife!

The Business of Printing Big Signs

The business of painting the huge signs upon fences and barns which assault the eye in all parts of the country is in the hands of a few contractors in New York and Chicago One firm in New York spends from $10 000 to $20 000 a year in this way, paying from 1½ to 3 cents a square foot for the work The bigger the signs the better Many can be found reaching 900 feet in length, and the biggest of all (at Newark Ohio) is more than 900 feet long and contains only one word —Chicago Times.

Mr Gladstone's Postal and Autograph

Mr Gladstone is as is well known fond of using postal-cards for his communications Although the law is that nothing must be written on the address side of the card save the address he invariably puts either his name or his initials there. The recipient is subjected to a charge of 3 cents extra postage Probably the extra autograph is worth it —Chicago Times

OHIO'S NEW GOVERNOR

JOSEPH BENSON FORAKER INAUGURATED AT COLUMBUS

Governor Hoadly Retires in a Neat and Characteristically Friendly Introductory Speech—The Governor's Address an Able State Document.

COLUMBUS O, Jan 12 —The senate and house, the supreme court judges, city officers, board of trade, state officers and the state officers-elect (except the governor and clergy) met in the senate chamber and marched then to the rotunda, where the inauguration ceremonies were held The Fourteenth Regiment band played, and Rev W M Mulleuix prayed Governor Hoadly introduced Governor Foraker in the following terms

"Fellow Citizens: *My last* official act is now to be performed It is the pleasant duty of delivering to Joseph B Foraker this *commission,* the evidence of the authority conferred upon him by the people of Ohio, whose will, unequivocally expressed in October last, thus reaches full fruition It will not, I hope, be considered improper if I accompany the delivery of this commission, with the expression of my own personal good will and congratulations, and of the warm wishes of the people of Ohio, not only those whose choice he was, but those who voted for me, and whose views I know I represent, that his administration may result to his honor, and in benefit to the state

"Fellow citizens, I introduce to you Joseph B Foraker, now to be inaugurated governor of Ohio"

Governor Foraker's Address.

"Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

'There is nothing more important than the ballot. It goes before everything else The government rests upon, and its character is determined by it. We have no other sovereign power or expression There is no greater political crime than its suppression or corruption There is but one equal crime, and that is indifference to such outrages. Either is treason in effect, and both ought to be in law *There never was greater need* than now for this to be remembered by the *legislative body of this state Evil is* always contagious. If permitted to succeed *in one place its tendency is to quickly spread* to all places Accordingly the question of a *free* ballot and a *fair* count, until recently unknown among us, has become a living issue in Ohio

"The outrages perpetrated at our elections *in 1884 were not the first of these offenses,* but they are mentioned because they had one good effect *They aroused* a sense of duty that secured the enactment of a registration law applicable to the cities of Cincinnati and Cleveland It was hoped this measure would prevent these evils but we have been disappointed The additional safeguards thus thrown about *the elective* franchise seemed only to widen the range, increase the determination and quicken the ingenuity of this class of criminals. As a consequence we have witnessed not only false voting and false counting, but also false registration, false tallies, false certificates, false returns and every other species of falsehood, fraud and forgery No such bold, bare faced villainy has ever been known in the history of our elections as confessedly was practiced at the last October elections in the cities of Cincinnati and Columbus If there is anything worse than the fact that the scoundrels who perpetrated it are unpunished and likely to remain so, it is that there should appear to be no judicial power to prevent the consummation of their iniquities. If it is true that our laws are such that a canvassing officer is compelled, or can elect, to give effect to evident and acknowledged fraud and forgery in defiance of right and all the authority of the courts, then indeed is there need to change the laws. Such an official should be more than a mere automaton and considerably less than an imperious autocrat. The time has come to put a stop to such troubles, and the people of the state, without regard to political differences, expect at your hands such legislation as will have this effect.

'The registration law referred to has been held unconstitutional by the supreme court, but only because the provisions for the registration of voters were deemed unreasonable The objection is easily overcome and it is recommended that another such law be enacted

"While considering this subject it is desired to make another recommendation Most of these frauds to which attention has been called have been committed either by the judges and clerks, or with their connivance It is a notorious fact that while many of these officials are worthy and competent men, yet many others are of bad character and entirely unfit for such trusts If only honest and intelligent men of known good character were allowed to fill these positions such violations of law would be impossible They would rarely, if at all be attempted It is recommended, therefore, that while *providing for a registration system* you also revise our election laws as to their provisions for the election of judges and clerks, and secure the selection of only good *men* for these places by providing for the appointment by some suitable authority, of a board of election commissioners or supervisors for all such cities as the law, *in your judgment,* should be applicable to, to consist of four or six members, or any other number as you may deem best, whose duty it shall be to appoint the judges and clerks for each voting prec[illegible] Both political parties should be r[illegible]sented, and equally in this board, and [illegible] should be further provided that no [illegible] so appointed by this board should be [illegible]d from such service except for cause [illegible] by the board There is quite as m[illegible] necessity to require this duty from a citi[illegible] as there is to compel him to serve as a ju[illegible] This matter must be dealt with earnestly Unless we can have free and fair elections there will come serious trouble The citizens of Ohio will not long quietly tolerate a reign of fraud

Inasmuch as these evils are confined almost entirely to our large cities, their consideration will naturally bring to your minds the general problem of municipal [illegible] [illegible]

shows e[illegible] a member [illegible] whether [illegible] sentiment [illegible] that it is better [illegible] [illegible] boards that attend [illegible] by any higher authority, [illegible] and powers of our municipal [illegible]

There are many objections to such a system [illegible] is too frequently in conflict [illegible] faction To illustrate, what a board of public works may do to [illegible] is quite often straightway [illegible] board of water works commis[illegible] water supply or by some other authority to do something else all at the expense of the taxpayers, and to the great [illegible] of the public A further [illegible] is that the more such boards there are the less important must be their respective powers The consequence is that the conventions that nominate and the people who elect the members thereof easily fall into the belief and act upon it, that it makes little difference who may be selected A member is but one of an unimportant board anyhow The result is that practically the entire city government falls into the hands of men selected without that care and consideration that should be exercised Another evil effect of this system is in the difficulty that exists under it of calling derelict officials to account When public interests are neglected there is no particular one to whom blame attaches.

'The shortcoming of a board is lost by distribution among its members, but the aggregate of the ills of the several boards makes the whole city seriously suffer There should be a fixing of responsibility so there may be accountability There should, therefore be the fewest possible number of elective officials. If the duties of an office be not important enough to impress the people who elect the incumbent with the necessity of care in his selection it ought where constitutional to do so, be abolished or filled by appointment For these reasons it is hoped the whole subject of municipal government will be carefully investigated at an early day in Ohio, as it has been in a number of other states and that in the meanwhile there will be no further multiplication of elective boards or minor officials of any kind, but that on the contrary you will abolish all unnecessary boards and make such changes in existing laws as will impose upon the mayors of our cities, who are their proper official heads, the duty of appointing the various boards it may be necessary to have If it be thought this is conferring too much power and authority upon one man the answer is that the importance of the trust is calculated to induce the people to select only worthy and competent men and the fact that there can be any evasion in such case of accountability will be the strongest incentive to a faithful discharge of duty

During the last administration that institution has received much attention The contract system for the utilization of convict labor has been superseded by what is known as the piece price plan So far this plan has met with much objection, and the expenditures have largely exceeded the receipts Its friends claim, however, that it has not yet had a fair trial, that great outlays have been necessarily incurred to make the change from the one system to the other, and that in the future more satisfactory results will be attained In view of all this there should be a full and fair investigation of this subject, with a view to ascertaining in what way there can be achieved the greatest success, bearing in mind that the institution should be made self-sustaining, if possible, as it has been heretofore and at the same time competition should be avoided between convict labor and free labor

"It is also earnestly hoped you will take up and advance the cause of humanity as it is involved in and represented by the intermediate penitentiary provided for by the last legislature by carrying that appropriation undertaking forward to a complete success

The duty of avoiding competition between convict labor and free labor naturally suggests the general subject of the rights of labor Some wise laws have been passed providing for the greater comfort of laborers their surer reward and the better protection of their lives, but [illegible] of the [illegible] is not yet all it should be It must be improved until as nearly as possible all just cause is removed for strikes and other difficulties with wage workers, and it is made impossible when the laws are observed to have such heart sickening calamities as that which but a few days ago overtook the miners at Nanticoke It is, however just cause of congratulation that the last legislature enacted a law establishing the principle and securing the benefits in Ohio of arbitration This step has been tardily taken, but it is in the right direction and no less to be appreciated on that account Arbitration is deservedly growing into favor everywhere not simply for the settlement of controversies between capital and labor, but also for the adjustment of all kinds of differences, notably and happily international as well as individual disputes. It is hoped the principle may be continually advanced in every legitimate way until it rules the world Such laws are too frequently spoken of as though they were in the interest of labor alone This is a mistake They are equally in the interest of capital In England, Scotland, Germany and other countries where they have had large experience the very best results for both capital and labor have been obtained not only from arbitration, but also from what but a few years ago were thought to be the impossible systems of co operation and profit sharing There is no reason why like results may not be similarly secured here Ohio should keep abreast with the progress that is being made in the matter of reforming and improving in these respects the industrial interests and bettering the conditions of the wage workers of the country

"In the same line with this comes another thought The [illegible] of our government recognizes the absolute and civil and political equality of all our citizens without regard to race or color This theory has not, however, had absolute practical application There are still a few laws on our statute books that create unjust discriminations based on color They should be swept away to the end that our colored fellow citizens may have the same rights and the same opportunities for education and self-elevation and the enjoyment of the rights of citizenship that other citizens have This is due to them they have earned it

'During the recent canvass one of the questions that largely engaged the attention of the people was what should be done with respect to the liquor traffic This question is of the greatest importance, but it is so related to personal habits and private morals as to render it impossible to make it a political question in the ordinary sense, and experience has taught in our own state and others that it should not be a party question in any sense The evils of this business are of such character that good men of all parties should stand together for their suppression, and it is thought the time has at last come when they may do so For if anything has been accomplished by the discussions we have had it is that there shall no longer be free trade for this traffic in Ohio either by the absence of all legislation or by what is equally detrimental to the interests of the state and the morals of the people only such legislation as there is no public sentiment to support Such was the platform of the party that prevailed at our last election It was clearly announced and [illegible] [illegible] endorsed There should be [illegible] an immediate enactment [illegible] [illegible] measures to prevent and suppress the evils of intemperance including the imposition [illegible] the business wh[illegible]

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[illegible] by ask [illegible] the name of this

virtue to determine whether or not economy requires the abandonment of the canals you should look beyond the direct receipts and expenditures on their account While portions of these canals may be unimportant and profitless, yet it should be remembered [illegible] other portions there are millions of dollars invested in manufacturing establishments that have been built up along their banks because of the cheap [illegible] and the valuable water power [illegible] from which property the state derives a large annual income by taxation By these industries thousands of laborers are given remunerative employment and all the surrounding farm property is greatly enhanced in value by the home markets thus created for agricultural products There is also established a large domestic commerce, and there is occasioned a vast cheapening of the rates of freight transportation that is felt not simply along the line of these waterways but throughout the state The abandonment of the canals would mean to a large measure the loss of all this and such a loss could scarcely be overestimated It is manifest that it would be many times greater than the difference between the receipts and expenditures referred to above

'The duty of the health officers, above spoken of, with respect to this canal, and the important service to the public which it is in their power to render, is typical of the importance to the state at large, of a state board of health

'As we grow in population, the necessity for such a board increases Our general sanitary condition is always important, but it is probably more than usually so at this particular time For in addition to the ordinary infectious and contagious diseases to which we are constantly exposed, there are many who fear we will be visited by cholera during the coming summer Others think there is no such danger But however this may be, it is both prudent and a duty to provide as well as possible against probable dangers, for the protection of the life and health of the people It is bad policy to delay such legislation until emergencies against which it would provide shall have arisen

'Governor Hoadly, always kind and generous was never more so than he has been to his successor It would be a pleasure to thank him for this under any circumstances, but it is especially so when it is recalled that notwithstanding we have opposed each other in two heated political contests not a single unkind or offensive word has yet been uttered by either of the other The friendship of years seems to have been made only stronger by these tests, to which it has been subjected, and no one more earnestly than I entertains the hope that there are in store for my distinguished predecessor many years of life health and happiness to be spent in [illegible] usefulness and honor than any he has [illegible] occupied"

WHO KNOWS WHY IT IS?

Who Grow in Everything Except Mental Grasp and Social Understanding

In the box circles of the opera house are men of money, men of intelligence men of moral worth There are also men unfit to associate with the lowest of their kind, bestial in their habits unnatural in their tendencies harsh cruel and contemptible, but they behave in public just as well as the upper grade They are all rich in common. The figuration would run that but far up toward the billion if accurately measured so that the [illegible] differences are chiefly between a millionaire and a [illegible] millionaire after all, but the women and the young members of these families are those in whom the contrasts are marked and the differences pronounced

Why it is I don't know but there are instances within the ken of every one who reads these lines where men and women have started life together higher together poor together together they have striven earned, saved grown in everything but mental grasp and social understanding Ninety nine times in a hundred the rich man and the rich woman attract attention by the gaucheries of the woman Ninety nine times in a hundred [illegible] children give the old folks away Now why is it? Is it because the woman [illegible] read, doesn't study? don't have the attractions of life that do so much toward smoothing away the rough edges while her husband is out in the rushing stream which has him moving along, until he turns out as smooth as a pebble the current carries in its narrow channel

He goes on the street

She toils and spins and saves.

He exercises his wits to make. I guess that's it They have no time to give to children they bring into the world They clothe them and feed them and send them to school and that's the end of it They do nothing toward moulding their characters They are incompetent to teach them manners The children's associates are the hap-hazard acquaintances of life, and when, after years and years of toil and struggle deprivation and saving the parents are among the rich *of the city and loom out with carriages in* the parks and boxes in the opera the man has sense enough to appreciate his unaccustomed surroundings and quietly stays in the background, while the women and *children jump to the very front of the box,* hoist the gonfalon of exhibition and blare forth the trumpet of attraction failing to see that the commotion they create and the attention they draw are born of surprised indignation and general contempt.—Joe Howard in Boston Globe

The People of Southern France.

But it is the patois which almost every body speaks that gives an especial flavor of antiquity to your surroundings This people's language is always a source of wonderment to me A native of even polyglot *America can never accept as reasonable* the existence of these dialects That thousands of men and women born and bred in France should converse in another tongue than French and in many instances should be *quite ignorant of the* national speech seems at first blush inexplicable, particularly to this same American who remember how universal it is in the United States even for the foreign born children of emigrants, and *often for the parents themselves, to learn* to speak and write English

I would establish it as a principle that modern ideas progress in the different parts of this country in proportion as the patois is less prevalent in other words, where the dialects are spoken more than the French, republicanism takes slower root. The recent elections afford many proofs of the correctness of this theory For instance, the department of which Pau is the capital—Basses Pyrenees (Lower Pyrenees)—did not send up a single Republican deputy to the chamber, and no where else in France perhaps is there less French spoken

So strong is the anti Republican element element that the French club in this town *will not accept a candidate if he be a French* man and is known to look with favor on the present regime A certain Republican senator a native of this region, where he possesses large landed estates and the representative of this department in the upper chamber is almost ostracised when he comes to spend a few weeks here every autumn as he has just done this year So among the archaisms of Pau may be classed its political old fogyism —[illegible] Stanton's Letter

[illegible] News of some of the methods resorted to to sell liquors at fairs and places where no liquors are allowed to be sold To draw it *from a soda fountain* to have it bottled and concealed in a can of milk in a sand bin [illegible] bale of hay [illegible] buried underneath bottles of sarsaparilla and soda or served as tea and coffee with cup and saucer besides many other ways resorted to.

DON'T FEAR MAD DOGS.

DR FOSTER SAYS IT IS FOOLISH TO OPEN A POUND.

He Declares that if it is Opened in Winter the Pets Will be Sick During the Summer—Hydrophobia Only a Disease of the Imagination.

NEW YORK, Jan 13.—It was away back in 1850, when New York wasn't one quarter the big, hustling town it is to-day, that a very young man named Foster opened his eyes and blinked around on it in a knowing way He had scarcely learned how to say "Ma-ma" and "Go o o!" and other like bits of baby talk that fathers and mothers are always proud to hear, when he developed a strong affection for the family dog The first serious mishap he met in life's path was when Grip, a neighbor's terrier, tried to carry away samples of the boy's starboard hand as an intimation that he didn't like to be hauled by the hind legs into the Foster back yard That was when the boy was two years old *Ever since* he has been getting fonder and fonder of dogs, and by the time he had grown big enough to indulge in the hazardous sport of knocking chips off other boys shoulders one blast upon his little tin whistle was worth a whole yard full of yelpers When the boy grew up he made a study of the habits and diseases of dogs, and finally launched out as a dog fancier

To-day not a sportsman in this town, who knows a setter from a door mat, does not point with pride at Dr D P Foster's Rivermount kennel near *Hoboken,* and say that there is the place to see the liveliest and brightest specimens of dogs in this neighborhood Foster had traveled all over Europe and a great deal of America in pursuit of happiness and rare dogs, and he has succeeded in becoming owner of a fair share of both.

A careful view of his life's history would discover its fair pages checkered, crisscrossed, blotted, zig zagged and gouged, showing where bulldogs nipped, terriers snapped, bloodhounds chewed, *mastiffs* worried and Spitzes fed on his flesh. Yet he is happy as a school boy on Saturday, and there is not a gray hair in his head or in his flowing brown mustache He doesn't look a day over forty, even when he assures you that he is fifty six years old.

Dr Foster was speaking to a reporter about the stupidity of the people who get up hydrophobia scares "It is enough to exhaust anyone's patience," he said, to hear the way these fools go on about hydrophobia, or rabies, or whatever they choose to term it No such thing exists in dogs, it has its origin in the fevered imaginations of foolish people who are accidentally bitten and then worry themselves to death There never was a bigger piece of nonsense done by the New York authorities than the opening of the *dog pound a week ago. It is an out*rage It is cruel as well as foolish, for you will find twice as many sick dogs here next summer as there were here last year Why? The fall and winter months are the best time of year to give dogs exercise in the open air They have been lying around doing nothing all summer until they are as fat as prize fighters out of condition It is not good for dogs to run about in warm weather It's apt to give them fits. Therefore it is necessary for them to be free to run around as much as possible during winter so as to keep them health Exercise is as necessary for bogs as for men Keep a dog chained up al the time and he will become mangy and subject to all sorts of distemper in a month Just imagine then, the harm that will b done to thousands of pet dogs in New Yor by their being kept shut up all winter The will be in such poor condition by the tim spring comes that fully 75 per cent of ther will be subject to fits and other distempers.

'I am not opposed to the opening of th dog pound It should be kept open fro June till October to rid the city of thou sands of worthless curs that run at larg They are a nuisance and should be do[illegible] away with But at this time of the year more ingenious scheme for driving do crazy could not be devised than keepi[illegible] them closely housed, as they will have be to avoid the dogcatchers. Why, I st[illegible] up till midnight so as to give my big S Bernard, Barry, and my setters a good fr[illegible] run in Washington square. They must ha[illegible] it to keep in good health, and I can't let the run alone at any other time or the catche will get them It is a cruel wrong to i[illegible] pound dogs in winter The people ough[illegible] make it so uncomfortable for the co[illegible] council that they would have to ord[illegible] pound closed"

"But people say that rabies is epide[illegible] now and that the pound tends to check was suggested

"Then they don't know what they're ta[illegible] ing about, ' answered Dr Foster, prompt "People die of fright during these so cal hydrophobia epidemics,' just as hundr die of fear in regions where cholera is pr alent. They imagine themselves infec and die of exhaustion from fright

"I remember very well the case of actress who died, people said, of rabies the summer of 1874 She brought her d a little mongrul te[illegible], into my office in arms one day and showed me where he bitten her on the lip It was only a scr[illegible] and bled very little While she was talk the dog ran from her arms and ro under [illegible] One of my hel picked him up to put him in a cage and dog snapped his hand and left it bleed The woman nearly fainted from fright asked me if I thought poor little Gyp mad 'Not a bit of it,' said I, 'don't w about that scratch of yours and you'll b right.' Well she went home and succe in frightening herself to death. People she died of rabies Why didn't my man too! The dog was in Harry Jenning[illegible] afterward and bit both Harry and keeper Yet not one man of the three showed any ill effects from the bites.

'Then there was Charley Clark, who of consumption a few years ago He [illegible] dogcatcher for eight years, and in that was bitten fully one thousand times or [illegible] He never showed any signs of rabie though he had not a limb that wa scarred by dogs teeth He'd run 'em corners, and as they were snarling and ly snapping their foaming jaws he [illegible] toss them into his wagon I've see hands so swollen that they looked lik ing gloves Yet, he'd keep right on at

and never think of hydrophobia I seen him at work when his left hand w sore from bites that he had to us elbow to help grab them up All o other catchers have been bitten, but I [illegible] heard of one of them having hydr op[illegible] If such a disease exists at all, it is in t ten's man's mind and not in the dog

'I have been all over England and tinental Europe looking for rare dogs, never met a case of rabies In Leips Brussels nearly every citizen owns fro to a dozen dogs, and all through the Forest you find giant hounds guardin woodmen's families while they are aw work, yet rabies is not known among t

'How would you treat a dog-bitten

'Poultice the bitten part with hot l to draw out the inflammation which [illegible] [illegible] wound."

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LOCAL NEWS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY

—Mrs B R Clark of Martel, was in the city yesterday afternoon

—Mrs Chas Wyman is in Detroit visiting and will be absent about two weeks

—H B Hane has been on the sick list for a couple days A severe cold seems to be the trouble

—James Coffy and Felix Reber left yesterday for the City of Mexico, where they will remain until April

—The ladies of St Mary s wish to return thanks to Mr J Diebold for the donation of ice used during the fair

—Miss Mary Lunker has returned from Urbana, where she has been teaching painting for the past week.

—A bouncing baby boy arrived at the home of M M Dumble yesterday, and parents and grandparents are both happy

—Train one on the N Y, P & O was three hours late this morning, and the tourists for the South were delayed just that long

—B Tristram was at Delaware yesterday attending the regular monthly meeting of the trustees of the Girls' Industrial Home

—W Z Davis was at Cardington today attending the annual reunion of the 96th Reg O V I Mr Davis is on the programme for the annual address

—Ex Auditor J L Bell is no longer assisting Auditor Waples in the duties of that office The fullness of work enables Mr Waples to do it all himself

—Only $1 50 for the Weekly STAR one year, and a Coupon good for ONE DOLLAR in trade goes with it The best paper in the County thus costs but 50 CENTS per year Try it

—Bucyrus Critic John Keil, jr, is home again from Toledo where he was visiting with his wife He reports favorably concerning the treatment of Mrs Keil s injured eye

—The funeral of Michael Noonan took place this morning at 9 a m from St Mary s Church Rev Father Hurtcan officiating It was largely attended The remains were placed in the vault

—J D Clark, who was jailed Saturday night on charge of stealing a note from Peter Moyer, of Waldo was given a hearing before Probate Judge Criswell yesterday and released on a $300 bond

—C R King, who visited friends and relatives in this city very recently, telegraphed C C Pettit yesterday that he was snow-bound at Brookville, Kas, and would "probably reach Denver by August "

—Mr Taylor s lecture at the City Hall last night was well attended and gave good satisfaction There were some who didn t like it very well, but the majority pronounce it to have been a grand intellectual treat

—Two medical journals are fighting over chewing gum One thinks it preserves the teeth, develops the gums and should be encouraged the other points out the injurious draught upon the salivary glands and digestive organs, and its crushing effect upon female loveliness

—Last evening at Delaware, a fire broke out in Charles W Kaiser s book and stationery store, and the whole building was in flames in a short time, but in less than one hour the fire was extinguished It is almost impossible to estimate the loss but on the building and goods it will not be over $1500 The fire department was a very long time in getting out

—A scheme is now being worked on the farmers in some parts of the State about as follows A slick appearing fellow comes along and engaging in conversation with the farmer ascertaining his financial standing, makes a proposition to purchase his farm He has not enough money but agreeing on terms he pays a small amount promising to return in a month to complete the purchase Meanwhile a second party appears and offers a larger amount for for the place In a few days, the first party again comes on the scene, and as the farmer does not then want to sell, thinking he can get the offer from the second party he usually offers to refund the guarantee money The first party insists on the sale threatening suit, &c, but finally agrees to compromise for a few hundred dollars and the farmer thinking he can more than make this from the second person, either pays it or gives his note Of course the second party does not turn up after that, and the farmer is the victim The scheme has been worked in several places, according to our exchanges

The Committees.

The following four committees of five each have been appointed by Mayor Gailey to confer with the council on the subject of waterworks

First Ward—F Huber, A H Kling, David Kelly P O Sharpless and L Gunn

Second Ward—Dr F B Fisher H C Hoberman T Fahey, A LaTourette and J O Regan

Third Ward—F R Saiter G B Christian S R Dumble, J Strelitz and Wm Fies

Fourth Ward—Ira Uhler J J Hane Harry True, G Leffler and J H Weaver.

Real Estate Transfers.

N. Osbum to Elmer Osbum, 40 acres in Grand tp, $2200

Geo W Miller to Riley L Davis, 35½ acres in Montgomery tp, $1596

F Moerhoman to Chas. Deisch, 8 acres in Big Island tp, $400

Peter Long (by sheriff) to First National Bank of Athens, 52 acres in Big Island tp, $1400

H True to Leah Carson, 2 lots in East Marion $300

T B Prentice to B Tristram 7 10 acre in Marion corp, $5000

James Brownlee to D W Brownlee, 80 acres in Claridon tp, $2000

Same to same, 11¾ acres in Caledonia corp, $2000

Same to Robt Brownlee, 55 55 100 acres in Caledonia corp, $2000

John Nickelson to Oliver B Eaton 8 acres in Pleasant tp, $500

Joseph Court to B F Court 80 acres in Pleasant tp, $6400

Winfield Redd to David Rizor, 34 acres in Bowling Green tp, $1100

David Lamb to Emily Knapp, one lot in LaRue, $600

W H Dilsaver to Joan W Welsh, lots No 1/1 2 3 in Prospect $325

D Gast to L S Wisel lot 8 in Prospect $200

Then and Now.

Riding down hills in the rude hand sled, skating upon the glib ice with bare shoe leather and sleighing in the old time jumper, were regular winter sports Young men have more refined ways of doing these things now, but our impression is they don t get all the fun out of them as they used to Young men are very backward now about indulging in sleigh rides unless they can drive a two hundred dollar horse, sit in an expensive sleigh and wrap up in costly robes Then they must be sandwiched between two girls, and they must be pretty ones too or it s no go All this is in strange contrast with the old pioneer way of doing such things Whatever pleasure there may be in the new and more stylish way of doing up these amusements they lack a good deal of the rich romance of the olden times

It is queer how customs do change in so short a time But the boys of half a century ago, if they could not put on the style of the present time had lots of fun nevertheless, for the girls were just as plenty in proportion to the boys as they now are and they were just as sweet This we can prove by the mothers of the present generation in case we should be driven to it

Throw Away Trusses

When our new method, without use of knife, is guaranteed to permanently cure the worst case of rupture Send 10 cents in stamps for references and pamphlet World s Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N Y

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY

—Ira Frey is in Buffalo this week

—H J Allen is able to be out again

—J J Matthews came up from Green Camp yesterday

—The Elks will give a social session in the city ere long

—See those 19 and 99 cent counters at Tristram & Young s

—Wilford Frash was in Huntington yesterday on business

—A series of meetings are in progress at the M E Church this week

—John W Davis and Miss Clara Bolen were licensed to wed yesterday

—Mansfield Herald D S Jones, of Marion, was a guest at the Wiler yesterday

—Cora VanTassel begins a week s engagement at Music Hall Monday night next

—Circuit and Common Pleas Court come in February and but one week apart

—Rev S D Bates is at Cleveland for the past few days attending Moody s sermons

—Rev Thomas is holding meeting every night this week at the Presbyterian Church

—Those who get samples of the WEEKLY STAR need have no fear of having to pay for them

—Joe Langenbacher took out his first naturalization papers at the Probate office yesterday

— Where can I get an education?

"At the Prospect Normal and Commercial School!

—Abram Myers on north East street, who has been ailing for the past two days is much better

—The commissioners were at Columbus yesterday attending a State meeting of Ohio County Commission

—Mother Shields is ailing from lung trouble and also Miss Libbie Shields is suffering from the effects of a bad cold

—Mrs C H Norris and son Prosser departed yesterday for Cincinnati They will remain a month in the Queen City

—Manager Delavler of the LaRue opera house was in the city last evening conferring with the manager of Little Nugget

—Local ice dealers are already packing ice Fine clear ice eight inches thick, is easily obtained and the packers are happy

—Only ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS for the Weekly STAR one year, and a Coupon good for ONE DOLLAR in trade goes with it The best paper in the County thus costs but FIFTY CENTS per year Try it

—Trains still continue to be late on all roads Engineers and conductors report the weather as severe as they have experienced for some years

—Our old friend Byran Folk is happy over the arrival of another grand child It is a little girl at the home of Oren Folk, in Pleasant township

—Mr and Mrs W O Randolph entertained the euchre club at the parlors of the Kerr House last night As usual, a splendid time was enjoyed by all present

—Policeman Thomas Mack is having a lay off at present and sojourning with friends in the northern part of the State Dave Scribner is acting cop in his place

—F G Allen was taken suddenly and seriously ill yesterday forenoon with gravel it is thought Today he was resting much easier and is greatly improved

—The workmen who have continued work on the court house tower despite the frigid weather, have more grit than the average It is cold enough on the ground

—Judge J R Galerson was in the city today and favored us with a call The Judge is one of those gentlemen whose presence is always a source of pleasure

—The police with Marshal Bumcke, furnished us with a complete register of the thermometers standing during Sunday and Monday but it arrived too late for publication

—From all precincts heard from there appears to be twenty five doctors of medicine practicing in this city There may be more returns in yet Still the community is healthy

—While at Columbus Monday Bert McNeal had a small tumor removed from the back of his head by Dr Hamilton It had not become very large yet, but was removed to prevent any trouble in the future

—Water works is considerably talked of subject just now and there seems to be different ideas about the proposed step There are very few, however who oppose water works on some plan or other

—The newly elected officers of the Marion Chapter No 62 were installed last night by D D High Priest P F Dombaugh After the ceremonies the members repaired to the banquet hall and partook of an excellent feast

—Joseph Sherman and wife of Pleasant township celebrated their 15th marriage anniversary yesterday by crystal wedding About twenty friends and relatives were in and besides spending a pleasant time left many handsome reminders of the occasion

— Little Nugget played to about a $50 house at Music Hall last night the cold weather keeping a great many away The Cawthorns and Sissons as usual, kept the audience roaring and those who saw them for the first time last night were soon among their admirers It is a good show

A New Way to Pay Old Debts.

Shakespeare tells how this can be accomplished in one of his immortal plays, but debts to nature must be paid on demand unless days of grace be obtained through the use of Dr Pierce s Golden Medical Discovery It is not a "cure all," but invaluable for sore throat, bronchitis asthma catarrh, consumption and all diseases of the pulmonary and other organs, caused by scrofula or "bad blood Scrofulous ulcers swellings and tumors are cured by its wonderful alterative action By druggists

Insane.

James Payne bound hand and foot and with four men holding him, was brought in from Agosta yesterday and taken before the probate judge on the charge of lunacy He was adjudged insane and placed in the county jail until a permission to enter the asylum can be secured

At the jail he became raving and made things generally lively last night, and there is no telling when another outburst is coming

Payne was dismissed from the Dayton asylum ten years ago as a sane man and has done well until very recently Family trouble is attributed the cause of this attack

Agosta.

Tuesday morning and cold and snowy thermometer 6 degrees below zero snow badly drifted and teamsters are complaining

The protracted meeting is still in progress Members are beginning to warm up and old dying sparks are rekindling

James Payne is crazy again This is the third time that he has been off and it is a great pity He will be sent to the asylum

Our postoffice is doing well under the new administration with John Grubb as its manager

John Krouse came near meeting with a serious accident yesterday He was hauling stave butts from north of the C and A railway and undertook to cross the track when the passenger train was but a short distance from him His horses were only about a foot from the track when the train went by A very narrow escape for Johnny

J J Horton made a flying trip to La Rue and Marion yesterday

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That Bright Star.

Anybody who wishes to take a peep at another world than ours has only to look at the planet Venus, which now shines brilliantly in the southwest after sundown Its brilliancy attracts pedestrians most notedly, and causes much comment on its brightness Venus is of nearly the same size as the earth and astronomers think it may possibly bear life not altogether unlike that upon the surface of our own planet Yet at the distance of some 80,000 000 of miles its huge bulk appears reduced to the dimensions of a star, reflecting the sunlight to us like a pellicle of silver We inhabit a wonderful world, but our world belongs to a still more wonderful family of worlds

Prospect.

All hands are out on the river this morning cutting and hauling ice It comes out about six inches thick and in very nice order

Mayor Statler and wife returned yesterday from a short visit to Newark, O

The Normal School opened again on Tuesday, after a three weeks' vacation It has two new teachers this term Miss Moore, of Delaware and Miss Marquis, of Granville Owing to the cold weather the students have not all arrived yet

Mr O J Hedges one and one half miles west of Prospect will give a reception and dinner today in honor of Mr and Mrs Hudson who were married last week Mrs Hudson formerly Miss Lizzie Hedges will go with her husband to Mercer county soon where they will make their future home

The business men of Prospect will meet this evening to organize a protective association

Waldo

Miss Maggie Bland north of town became the better half of a young man of Union county last week Miss Maggie was quite a promising young lady and we are hoping what is our loss is some one s gain

Mrs Grubb that is Miss Emma Bland, and Will Oborn, both of this place were joined by the holy bonds of matrimony last week May their path be one of peace happiness and endless love

Charles Taylor who is the teacher in the Drake district got things too hot last week and had to close school one day to let everything cool off Saturday was substituted for the vacant day

Dowl Clark, of Morrow county, was taken to the Marion county jail, last Saturday, on a charge of grand larceny, before Esq Porterfield

Mrs J J Straub is much better now than she has been and ere long will be around again

Wm Gabler has opened his store again and now is selling goods below cost

Justice Finger has control of a writing class in Oborn district We have but few better writers in the county than he

The Waldo school has commenced work again under the control of Wesley Mitter and W A Sager

The Z., Mt. V. and M. R'y A Necessity.

[Cleveland Leader Tuesday]

The awkward position of the Chicago and Atlantic road with reference to its Eastern connections was quite distinctly outlined by the Chicago meeting last week It blankly declined to be a party to the pool because of its strained relations with the Erie It prefers taking the role of a freebooter until arrangements with the Erie are made satisfactory, or until it secures another outlet to the East There is probably no railroad property the future of which is so uncertain Its natural outlet is the Erie, but so long as it remains in charge of President Jewett amicable relations between the two roads is almost an impossibility The Erie is seeking to obtain control of the property by persuading the Dutch bondholders to foreclose their mortgage and place the property in hands friendly to the Erie On the other hand President Jewett is actively seeking another outlet Two distinct railroad projects have been set afoot to secure this, the Pittsburg, Marion and Chicago, to extend from Pittsburg to Marion, and more recently the Zanesville, Mt Vernon and Marion, to extend from Marion to Zanesville and there connect with the Baltimore and Ohio Both companies have been incorporated, and the latter is undoubtedly a scheme of President Jewett Its incorporators are all residents of Zanesville, which is Mr Jewett's home The survey will begin in a few days Mr Jewett recognizes the necessity of immediate action if he would retain his grip on the C and A The managers of the east bound roads from Chicago played a strong card last Friday when they offered the commissionship to Mr G R Blanchard He was the vice president of the Erie under Mr Jewett, and resigned when the latter was deposed He was Mr Jewett s right hand man and in close sympathy If anything will move the obdurate heart of the deposed magnate and induce him to enter the pool it is this appointment The pool will have to oppose the Erie whose dissatisfaction with the appointment may be supposed to be as strong as is President Jewett's gratification at the elevation of his old associate The Chicago and Atlantic will be kept before the [illegible] of the railroad reading public for [illegible] time to come

Haberman & Wilson sell Vinyard, Ely, Union Hardware and Monarch roller skates and skate bags CHEAP

LIVING ON EX-MILITARY DIGNITY.

A Mistaken Idea Which a Great Many People Entertain—A Case.

"You might take men of the highest rank and apply your principle," said one of the most prominent of the old army officers in Chicago "People, including public men, seem to have believed for years that the officers who made brilliant reputations in the old army could in some way live on reputation If a man who had an important command either in the Union or the Confederate army applied for a position or entered into any negotiation looking to a business engagement a common remark was, 'Why, he was major general, he don't need the place, and so all thought of securing employment for such men was dismissed.

"I remember one case in which there came before our board of directors the application of one of the very best of the major generals in the Union army Another application came from a gentleman of no higher talent, who had never been in the army Both gentlemen were present, and after talking with both the directors decided in favor of the civilian, on the ground that he needed the place more than the other This explanation was made to the ex major general, and he received it with a smile, never dropping for an instant from his attitude of dignified and severe courtesy

But when he left the room I walked out with him and asked him if I could be of any service He said that I could. If I could put him in a way of earning a living he would be under great obligations to me. He then explained that having been thrown out of employment in a business for which his training and education fitted him he was dependent on one of his daughters for support, that nothing in the way of rebuke or misfortune had so ground him down as the thought that he was living simply on a tradition of army dignity, and on a recollection of a reputation made years ago He spoke bitterly of the difficulties in his way, and of the instances in which he had been put aside on the assumption that he didn't need to earn money —Inter Ocean 'Curbstone Crayons.

W. H Vanderbilt's Romantic Marriage

Mrs. W H Vanderbilt, the widow of the late millionaire, is now about 55 or 60 years old and is in excellent health. She was married when about 18, and was considered very lovely as a girl Her maiden name was Miss Martha Kissam, and she was the daughter of a clergyman, of moderate means, but of an old and aristocratic family As a girl Mrs Vanderbilt was noted for a pretty face, graceful and simple manners, and charitable acts, and these traits she has retained throughout her married life.

Her marriage came about in quite a romantic way On a bright moonlight night at about 10 o'clock Miss Kissam was walking through the quiet and deserted streets of Albany Suddenly she was startled by the clatter of a horse s hoofs. Soon she saw coming up the street at breakneck pace a bay horse, on which was seated young Vanderbilt, handling his horse with ease and grace When the horse and rider had reached the corner where the young lady stood, she being of a modest, retiring nature, withdrew in the shadow of a doorway The horse saw the movement and being a spirited animal shied and threw its rider, who fell heavily on a pile of stones striking the left side of his face Miss Kissam screamed and sprang forward, supposing that Vanderbilt was either dead or badly hurt Hardly had she reached his side when he jumped up, shook himself and brushed the dust from his face

'Are—are you hurt badly?" timidly inquired the young lady

Not at all, Miss—Miss—a—" stammered the youth

Miss Kissam," whispered the young lady, while many blushes suffused her pretty face.

Well I'm not hurt, Miss Kissam," said William H Vanderbilt as he introduced himself, but I'm pretty badly shaken up "

Miss Kissam appeared embarrassed and insisted upon young Mr Vanderbilt going to her home as he suddenly appeared very faint. Here he was introduced to Miss Kissam s father A pleasant evening was spent, and William proved such an excellent conversationalist that when he took his departure that evening he was invited to call again, which he did repeatedly until they were married —New York Letter

The Cost of an Old Print

Mr William M Smith took a notion that he would like to buy an old English print in a Chestnut street picture-shop window for a present to a friend When he went to make the purchase he was informed that the picture had been sold to the Philadelphia club and that it was the only copy in Philadelphia Mr Smith endeavored to have the club rescind its order, but he didn't succeed Then he gave instructions to have a copy bought for him wherever it was to be had In a few days he was informed by the picture dealer that, after inquiry in all the leading cities, they were of the opinion that there was none to be had in the United States

Send to Europe, then,' was the reply The dealers did so, and after some weeks sent word that the print was a very old one and there was no copy of it to be had in London Paris Berlin or Vienna A week afterward they wrote that they had just been informed that some one in the interior of England had a proof that he would sell for £30 'Buy it then said Mr Smith, and it was bought It has not arrived yet but when Mr Smith gets it, it will with the duty upon it and other expenses, stand him about $250 The picture is that of a game of cricket in England about fifty years ago The ordinary observer, judging it by such beauty as it has will probably consider it worth about 250 cents —Philadelphia Press

Brought to His Natural Level

A Frankfort gentleman was called to Washington on business which kept him there for a week or two, during which he stopped at one of the principal hotels and mingled in the best society His friends observed on his return a marked change in his bearing the greater particularity of his dress the higher polish of his silk hat and boots and other evidences of his better keep while on his visit to the capital city A change was also noticed by his family in his more fastidious taste in eating etc The next day at dinner upon being asked if he would take soup fingering his eye glasses as if he were about to read a bill of fare he inquired Is it St Julienne or Mulligatawney?" It s bean soup sir and plenty good enough for you at that sir, was the response from the other end of the table Since then he has resumed his home airs and is metaphorically roosting lower —Frankfort Yeoman

A New Method of Signaling

Ordinary army signaling by waving flag or torches can transmit only ten words or so a minute spelled out by letters, but an adaptation of the Morse telegraphic alphabet, now generally employed has more than doubled this rate of speed

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Government now maintains 2,000 lighthouses lightships and stakelights on coasts and rivers besides innumerable fog signals and whistling and other buoys.

THE GAY CAPITAL.

A FEW REASONS FOR THE DECLINE OF THE PARIS SALON.

No Longer in Sympathy with the Government and Frequented by the New Rich—Last Queen of the Salon—Society.

"The salon is dead!' Listen! Is there an answering cry, Long live the salon!" None! The salon is dead and has no successor The line is extinct Under the Bourbons it flourished Under Napoleon the Great it throve. Under the restored kings it made its power felt. Under Napoleon the Little it held its place But under the republic it has perished Forever! Who knows! There was a time when every day saw women of beauty, rank, and wit entertain men of power in politics literature, and art. It was the fashion But that time is no more

THE LAST QUEEN OF THE SALON

Mme Adam was the last queen of the salon But her salon was only a ghost of those that had gone before And even it has now passed away Yet "Juliette Lamber was no mean successor to the famous women of earlier generations. Why did her salon after so bright a beginning, fall so utterly? Largely, I fancy, because it was too practical, too much in earnest. The Frenchman will be wise or witty so long as it is merely for amusement Make a business of it, and he shuns it as the plague. And Mme Adam s salon had the latter fault to an excess It was indeed, a political employment bureau Men were invited to come there and exhibit their intellectual qualities before ministers and statesmen, with the object of getting appointed to office Diplomats met there to worm secrets out of each other Naturally cliques were formed jealousies engendered, and the salon went to wreck

But there is a more fundamental reason for the disappearance of the salon It is this To suceed a salon must be in sympathy with the government, and the fashionable women of Paris do not approve of the republic There is no grande dame who will invite to her parlors the leaders of this government—Clemenceau, Brisson, Floquet. Yet a salon without them is impossible. Therefore there is no salon Art and literature still maintain their rank But they are divorced from society Philosophy flourishes, but not in the drawing-room. The political caldron seethes, but it is not stirred by fair hands and watched by lovely eyes. Intellectuality is a business. Politics is a trade And with business and trade society will have nothing to do

MATRIMONIAL EXCHANGE GATHERINGS.

Indeed, French society has itself undergone a complete revolution The average social gathering in Paris to-day is one of three things the meeting of the clique, a matrimonial exchange, or a display of new got wealth Republican society comes almost exclusively under the latter head, For years past the government has been a mere spoils-gathering machine The primary functions of ministers has been to manipulate the bourse and get rich Most of these men have come from the classes unknown to the old aristocracy So they have to introduce themselves to the fashionable world They do so by a lavish display of wealth Their bank accounts are their only credentials

I have often seen rich Americans of humble origin ridiculed for putting on vulgar airs But at their worst they never could have equaled the illiterate ostentation of the upstarts of Paris The most rabid red radical here, grown rich, invents a "coat-of-arms' and a genealogy, and strives to outdo his neighbor in gaudiness and extravagance. The matrimonial exchange gatherings are composed of the new rich folk who have succeded in getting recognition from the old aristocracy and the old aristocracy who because of impoverished fortunes have condescended to grant that recognition The object is to form a matrimonial alliance between a rich nobody on one side and a poor somebody on the other One contributes the money, the other the blue blood Liberte! Egalite! Fraternite!

I think the hard-up nobles have been forced to seek rich wives among the rich plebians of France because the supply of American heiresses willing to ally themselves with decayed French aristocracy is unequal to the demand The first of the social systems I mentioned, the cliques and coteries, is composed of the old aristocracy who retain enough wealth to be independent and so cling to the traditions of their caste One other feature of society I should mention here—a sad one It is this that the distinction between the rich and poor is more strongly drawn than ever Under the old regime the poor man, if he had brains and wit, was welcome in the grandest salon. Now he is frowned upon and shut out As the English poet has said, gold gilds the narrow forehead of the fool More than ever before in the Paris of to-day "every door is barred with gold and opens but to golden keys'—M Houssaye s Paris Letter

Two Arabs on a Horse Trade

An Arab who wishes to sell a horse will never consent to be the first to name a price Some one comes up and says 'Sell, thou wilt gain

The vender replies Buy, thou wilt gain

"Speak thou first "

No speak thou

"Was he purchased, or reared?

Reared in my tent like one of my one own children

What hast thou been offered for him?

I have been offered 100 douros."

'Sell him to me at that price—thou wilt gain Tell me, then, what thou askest

"See what is written with Allah "

Come let us drive away the previous bidder, and do thou take 10 douros over and above his offer

"I accept Take thy horse, and Allah grant thou mayest be successful upon his back as many times as he has hairs upon it "

Should the seller be desirous to avoid all risk of future annoyance on the subject of warranty, he adds in the presence of witnesses

'The separation between us is from this very moment Thou dost not know me and I have never seen thee —Gilbert Sage s Reminiscences

Appearance of Jerome Bonaparte

Col Jerome Bonaparte, who now lives in Washington is a very tall, fine-looking man, with regular features and a iron gray mustache and imperial He is a distinguished looking man, but he has none of the Napoleon family resemblance He is always treated with the greatest amount of courtesy and distinction by the diplomatic people, and is the recipient of much more attention from them than any other American citizen in Washington —Chicago Times.

The Army of the United States.

The United States army now consists of 2,150 officers and 24,700 men Most of the big nations of the effete east support armies containing more officers than there are privates in our little land

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S BOOKS.

THE BETTER WAY OF PRESENTING HISTORY AND SCIENCE

Productions for Boys and Girls Which Are Captivating Even to the Old Folks—Successful Serial Papers and Magazines

The bookstores have lately been crowded with people who were searching for the right sort of books to give to their sons and daughters and nephews and nieces as presents. Their search was somewhat bewildering from the very multitude of books of every size and sort and subject which filled the counters and professed to be especially devoted to young people. It is not hard to find volumes for the very young. They are easily satisfied with Kate Greenaway pictures, large and highly colored illustrations and simple stories in big black words of one or two letters. The difficulty is to choose books not for children but for young people, that is, for youths and girls from 13 to 20. For the benefit of this class, however, it may be said that within the past quarter of a century a new department has been added to our literature. In the old time writers for the young were too apt to fail to distinguish between ages and wrote in the same style—for the most part, a namby pamby style—for a boy or girl of *8 and one of 15.*

NEW WAY OF IMPARTING KNOWLEDGE.

But the art of writing, not only for children but for young people, has rapidly ripened within recent years. The parent or uncle may find with a little search, many books at once instructive and entertaining, skilfully adapted to the youthful and growing mind—the mind that has got beyond nursery tales and is thirsty for knowledge, though it insists that that knowledge should be pleasantly and clearly presented to it.

One of the results of the success of the *new way of imparting history, biography,* science or what not to young people is, that the best and most popular writers do not strain themselves to adopt a style for young people only. They aim to so write that their productions may be read with pleasure by the middle-aged and the old as well as by the young. They guide themselves by a few rules, which mainly aim to make what they say clear, easily comprehended, and, at the same time, picturesque and taking. They are apt, for instance, to use Saxon words instead of Latinized words, to write short sentences and short paragraphs, and to be as concise in covering their subject as the necessity for clearness and a pleasant way of putting things will permit.

PLEASING OLD FOLKS AS WELL.

The old method of talking to the young as if they were infants or idiots—the "Now, my dear little children, if you will come and sit upon my knee, I will tell you all about that great man, Julius Cæsar," style has, happily for the mental self respect of the young, pretty much passed out of vogue. The most successful publications for the young—serial papers and magazines as well as books—are those in which the method of clear, simple and picturesque writing, not *painfully confined in its view to pleasing* merely youths from 13 to 20, but with the capacity to interest people of all ages, is adopted.

One of the best known of these periodicals, which has an immense body of subscribers, is probably read in nearly every household it enters with as much curiosity and pleasure by the fathers and mothers as by the girls and boys. I have often heard it said by middle-aged people, with a kind of surprise that they found themselves as much absorbed in this juvenile periodical, and looked as eagerly for its coming as their children did. The secret of this is, that it is crowded with articles, stories and anecdotes of a fresh and timely character, written *simply and clearly, and without the* least attempt to 'cuddle' the young by absurd phrases and a silly way of putting things.—George Makeface Towle in Boston Globe.

Rules Regulating Commercial Travelers.

The drummer's life is not such a happy one as most people imagine it to be. The popular idea of the business is gathered from 'Sam'l of Posen,' wherein monumental cheek and reckless extravagance are gorgeously combined. I wish such people could see the twenty-eight rules and regulations to which a prominent business house compels its army of drummers to subscribe. Here are two of the rules, Nos. 25 and 26, that will soon disabuse any able-bodied intellect of the impression that cheek and extravagance are the commercial travelers predominating qualities. The rules are printed in small expense books which are furnished each drummer. Read these:

"To Get Attention. Do not bother a dealer when busy. It's your time to 'walk the floor,' not his. Politeness is a nice entering wedge. 'Cheek' may be a good thing at times, but is often very disgusting to many men. To walk into a man's store with a big 5 cent cigar in your mouth, and your hat cocked on one side of your head, is not at all times a pretty sight, and most men don't like it.

Expenses. Shaving, boot-blacking, washing, billiards, pool, cigars, drinks and other personal expenses are not ours; transportation, hotels, porterage, bus hire, telegrams and postage are. Remember this."—Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Toning Down Reckless Conversation.

I once had occasion to hold an interview with Gen. Toombs on behalf of The Constitution in regard to some question of moment then agitating the public mind. He talked somewhat recklessly, as was his custom, but in the course of his conversation gave [illegible] a clue as to his *real opinions.* In reporting his conversation I stripped it of its fiery qualities but left it vigorous enough to represent Toombs. The vigor, however, was on the conservative side of the question and was somewhat different from the impression he had sought to make upon me. The report was put in type, and I carried him a proof of it to his room at the Kimball house. He read it over carefully and then, without changing his position looked over his glasses, his eyes twinkling with that cute expression of humor *that gave such a charm to his face.*

"Did I say this?" he asked.

"Well," said I, "perhaps not in those very words, but that is the impression you gave. I have brought you the proof so that you may make any corrections you may think proper."

"Well, sir," said he, "there is not a word to be changed. It is just what I would have said to you here in my room, but it is not what I said to you down stairs this morning. I endorse every word of it."—Atlanta Constitution.

A Hammer and Nail Feeder.

A combined hammer and nail feeding device has been patented. It combines a receptacle for carrying the nails with a hammer and an arm or duct for feeding the nails to the hammer automatically by the swinging of the hammer, and a device for clamping or holding each separately delivered nail before setting and driving it.—Boston Budget.

EARLY DAY JUSTICE

Bill Nye Tells of the Salvation Army of the Rocky Mountains.

[Bill Nye in Chicago Ledger.]

Those were troublous times, indeed. All wool justice in the courts was impossible. The vigilance committee or Salvation Army as it called itself didn't make much fuss about it, but we all knew that the best citizens belonged to it and were in good standing.

The Salvation Army

It was in those days that young Stewart was short handed for a sheep herder and had to take up with a sullen hairy vagrant called by the other boys 'Esau.' Esau hadn't been on the ranch a week before he made trouble with the proprietor and got the red hot *blessing from Stewart he deserved.*

Then Esau got madder and sulked away down the valley among the little sage brush hummocks and white alkali waste land to nurse his wrath. When Stewart drove into the corral at night, from town, Esau raised up from behind an old sheep dip tank, and without a word except what may have growled around in his black heart, he raised a leveled Spencer and shot his young employer dead.

That was the tragedy of that week only. Others had occurred before and others would probably occur again. It was getting too prevalent for comfort. So as soon as a quick cayuse and a boy could get down into *town the news spread* and the authorities began in the routine manner to set the old legal mill to running. Some one had to go down to 'The Tivoli' and find the prosecuting attorney, then a messenger had to go to 'The Alhambra' for the justice of the peace. The prosecuting attorney was "full" and the judge had just drawn one card to complete a straight flush, and had succeeded.

In the meantime the Salvation Army was fully half way to Clugston's ranch. They had started out, as they said, "to see that Esau didn't get away." They were going out there to see that Esau was brought in town.

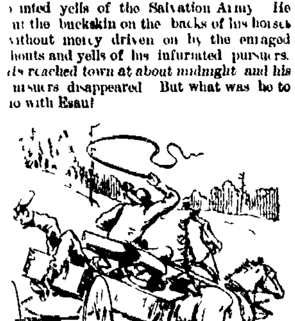
What happened after they got out there I *only know from hearsay, for* I was not a member of the Salvation Army at that time. But I got it from one of those present, that they found Esau down in the sage brush on the bottoms that lie between the abrupt corner of Sheep mountain and the Little Laramie river. They captured him but he died soon after, as it was told me, from the effects of opium taken with suicidal intent. I remember seeing Esau the next morning and I thought there were signs of ropium, as there was a purple streak around the neck of deceased together with other external phenomena not *peculiar* to opium.

But the grand difficulty with the Salvation Army was that it didn't want to bring Esau into town. A long, cold night ride with a person in Esau's condition, was disagreeable. Twenty miles of lonely road with a deceased murderer in the bottom of the wagon, is depressing. Those of my readers who have tried it will agree with me that it is not calculated to promote hilarity.

So the Salvation Army stopped at Whatley's ranch to get warm hoping that some one would steal the remains and elope with them. They stayed some time and managed to 'give away' the fact that there was a reward of $5,000 out for Esau dead or alive. *The Salvation Army even went so* far as to betray a good deal of hilarity over the easy way it had nailed the reward or would as soon as said remains were delivered and identified.

Mr. Whatley thought that the Salvation Army was having a kind of walk away so he slipped out at the back door of the ranch, put Esau into his own wagon and drove away to town. Remember, this is the way it was told to me.

Mr. Whatley hadn't gone more than half a mile when he heard the wild and disappointed yells of the Salvation Army. He put the buckskin on the backs of his horses without mercy, driven on by the enraged shouts and yells of his infuriated pursuers. *He reached town at about midnight* and his pursuers disappeared. But what was he to do with Esau?



Mr. Whatley put Esau in the wagon and drove away to town.

He drove around all over town trying to find the official who sighed for deceased. Mr. Whatley went from house to house like a vegetable man seeking sadly for the party who would give him a $5,000 check for Esau. Nothing could be more depressing than to wake up one man after another out of bed and keep and invite him to come out to the buggy and identify the remains. One man went out and looked at him. He said he didn't know how others felt about it, but he allowed that anybody who would pay $5,000 for such remains as Esau's could not have very good taste.

Gradually it crept through Mr. Whatley's [illegible] that the Salvation Army had been working him, so he left Esau at the engine house and went home. On his ranch he nailed up a large board on which had been painted in antique characters with a paddle and tar the following stanza:

☞ Vigilance Committees, Salvation Armies, Morgues, or young physicians who may have deceased people on their hands are requested to refrain from conferring them on the undersigned.

☞ People who contemplate shuffling off their own or other peoples' mortal coils will [illegible] on these grounds.

☞ The Salvation Army of the Rocky Mountains is especially hereby warned to keep off the Grass. JAMES WHATLEY.

GOING TO STAY OVER NIGHT

A Genuine Picture of Missouri Hospitality in the Wilds of Nevada

[Dan'l Quill in New York Sun.]

During a long and weary journey through the wild and arid mountains of western Nevada a prospecting miner is surprised to find a ranchman's cabin. He gladly turns toward it. When he finally arrives at the bars tied up [illegible] a lanky [illegible] entered [illegible] the house [illegible] extended hand and a face that [illegible] a smile in every square [illegible]—advanced to meet him. Then [illegible] going out:

Stranger, howdy! Glad to see yer. Come in!

So fur as that, hey! Wall, wall—fust me stranger, howdy! Wall, wall—glad ter see yer, [illegible]

Kin yer git to stay all night. Wall I reckon yer can't git ter do nothin else! Thar haint another house within thirty mile of here. Yes, stranger, yer [illegible] to stay all night—blast me! yer just in [illegible]

Hyar John Thomas—John Thomas! John Thomas my boy [illegible] down the front [illegible] the gentleman's jackass [illegible] the [illegible] and throw an armful of [illegible]

Yes stranger yer kin git to stay all night.

John Thomas—ho John Thomas! John Thomas my son give the stranger's jackass a bucket o' water.

Looks to me stranger, like you're one *them prospectin pilgrims.* Yas. Wall I thought so. [illegible] As fur as ever I seed you up the hill I thought so. Blast me yes. I sez to myself that you wa one o' them prospectin pilgrims.

Sairy Jane wife! I say Sairy Jane in the house thar. You kin cut the crook necked squash—the stranger'll stay.

John Thomas—John Thomas boy, don't yer hear yer daddy call? Yes! Wall then attend to business. Give the stranger's jackass a little o' barley.

Julia Ann my girl don't stand starin, run and pull a mess o' turnips.

Blast me, stranger ef I hain't glad to see this section a gittin so populated. Come we'll walk inter the house. But fust—John Thomas boy. John Thomas bring in all the stranger's things off'n his jackass.

Walk in—walk in. Take a seat in that [illegible] what stands by the corner of the hearth. It's the easiest cheer in the house, ceptin that one with rockers on it that you see my old mammy a settin in.

I say Sairy Jane wife, are you out thar in the kitchen? Yer are! Wall I'm goin out to cut the head off'n a yellow legged hen to put on the pot and have some eatin ready.

Git to stay all night? Wall, stranger, ye couldn't git ter do nothin else if ye [illegible]

Susie, child, git yer daddy his coat, then [illegible] take the stranger's carpet sack an' put it under the bed out in the best room.

Yas yas! I know, Susie child—I know that. But your gran'mammy kin sleep in the trundle bed 'long with you and Julia Ann and Amandy Ellen, yer mammy and me kin take little Jimmy and Mary Louise inter bed 'long with us and George Alexander is big enough to go up inter the loft [illegible] the other boys. But, afore yer go child, just git a coal o' fire off'n the hearth fur yer gran mammy's pipe; don't yer see she's waitin?

What stranger! Yer kin spread yer blankets an sleep on the floor? No, stranger, yer just can't spread yer blankets an sleep on the floor! Wall, blast me! Spread his blankets an sleep on the floor! Wall, by jingo!

'Stranger, thar hain't another house in thirty mile an' what does the Bible say bout entertainin' a stranger unawares? Git to stay all night! Wants to spread his blankets. Bless my soul, by jingo!

Sairy Jane wife, be partick'ler an peel a few pertaters to put in long with the chicken.

John Thomas my boy, run out now an ketch up Bull, Watch, Tige and old Bose an tie em up; they might take to worryin the stranger's jackass durin' the night, but yer kin let the four pups run loose.

What! Old Bose is under the bed! Git the broom and poke him out. He's the consarnedest dog fur sleepin' under beds that I ever seed.

Amanda Ellen, girl, pick a basket o' chips and help yer mammy while I go fur that hen.

Sairy Jane wife! Sairy Jane, yer might just dash a few dough dumplins inter the chicken among the pertaters of the stranger [illegible]

Asked if he could git ter stay? Blast me! Sairy Jane wife! Better bake a short-cake fur supper!

An Unpleasant New Year Prospect.

Unsold toys in chorus: 'Have we to remain another year on these dusty old shelves?'

He Held the Sheep, Poor Thing.

[Detroit Free Press.]

He came into a butcher shop and asked for half a pound of mutton chops. It was unmistakable that his business necessitated his calling 'c-a-s-h' quite frequently. As the man of the cleaver sawed out and chopped the purchaser remarked in a [illegible] voice:

"So I was a butcher once myself."

"You a butcher?" said the sausage [illegible] contemptuously.

"Yes. [illegible] I went into the [illegible] first told me to hold [illegible] down [illegible] don't you know [illegible] a knife [illegible] I was faint [illegible] I left the [illegible] and now [illegible] dry goods."

[illegible] got his purchase the door [illegible] and the sudden draft blew him [illegible]

And They Did

[Harper's Monthly.]

[illegible] had been courting his Sarah Ann for [illegible] The blushing maid had [illegible] the woman with a hint of [illegible] Azariah as [illegible] one evening [illegible] asked Sarah Ann [illegible] forward to [illegible] And [illegible] that we lay our bones alongside o' each other while we live!

The Lime-Kiln Club.

[Detroit Free Press.]

"My friends," said Brother Gardner as he opened the meeting and settled to business, [illegible] codfish [illegible] reasons dat it was [illegible]

"[illegible] nature [illegible] be commended [illegible] enthusiastic over it lately [illegible] de children [illegible] studyin' dat [illegible]

"[illegible] study of political economy [illegible] make da discovery dat de [illegible] resolve it [illegible] sellin' your [illegible] worry high market price.

"[illegible] of anatomy may well interest [illegible] short in our [illegible] discovery dat an average [illegible] bottom [illegible] illustrated to de old woman dat [illegible] ax [illegible]

"Brother Shinbone [illegible]"

At the close of the meeting, after the [illegible] Hon. [illegible] Johnson, who [illegible] for some time in an un[illegible] manner, arose and said he would like to offer a resolution.

"Am it a very important dockerment?" asked the president.

"Yes sah—very."

"Well, you kin [illegible] off [illegible] although it am [illegible]"

Brother Johnson then sent to the secretary's desk the following:

Resolved, Dat it am de sentiment of dis club dat Ireland should permit England [illegible] itself, an dat from dis date until de English people hev secured dem full rights an privileges from de nashun [illegible] dis club holds no furder intercourse wid Ireland.

Some of the members had turned pale before the reading was half finished and at its conclusion there was silence twenty four [illegible] in the hall. Brother Gardner [illegible] at Canterbury a long time, and then [illegible]

"De committee of de interior will take da man to room [illegible] an put his head to soak for night in a bread an' milk poultice. *His brains am developin' altogether too* fast. De rest of us will now sing de closin' [illegible] an go home an it will be well fur all of you to remember dat de umbrella wid de white bone handle out dar' in the cloak room belongs to me."

New Year's Day With the Puritans.

[Re-engraved from Life.]

Merry making in these good old days. Each visitor's heart was gladden with a nice red apple and a dipper of spring water.

Toombs and the Philanthropist.

[Southern Bivouac.]

After Toombs' famous Boston speech a philanthropist came up to him as he stood in the center of a group at his hotel and said:

"Sir, I have come to ask you a question and you impress me as a man who will tell the truth even if it bears against him."

"I will try," said Mr. Toombs, with great meekness.

"I am told, sir," said the man, "that down in Georgia you actually work your negroes [illegible] plow instead *of mules or horses.* Is this true, sir?"

Mr. Toombs looked like a man hit hard, but [illegible]

"Do you know the cost of a negro man, sir?"

"Oh yes," was the reply. "From $1,000 up to $1,500 [illegible] human flesh, sir. Man [illegible]"

Said Mr. Toombs: "Well, $800 is for an average."

"Yes," said the man, "I think we may say that."

"Do you know the cost of a common mule or horse?" said Mr. Toombs.

"Yes, sir; the average of unimproved stock may be [illegible]. You neglect your [illegible]"

"Contented," said Mr. Toombs. "Now [illegible] do you think it [illegible] pull [illegible] plow in clay soil [illegible]"

"I have not thought of that, sir, but—"

"[illegible]," said Mr. Toombs, "in that tenderness [illegible] will have [illegible] exhorter than we have [illegible] at $800 a negro [illegible] cost $100, and what do you think of it [illegible] yourself?"

[illegible] ended and only one man failed to smile.

How to Borrow Without Losing Reputation.

[New York Tribune.]

An old editor of Harper's told [illegible] that just after he came to New York he got [illegible] that he [illegible] He did not [illegible] mill an amount as [illegible] hundred dollars [illegible] might be looked [illegible] So he [illegible] on his friend and said [illegible] $500. Can you let me have [illegible] Certainly. [illegible] $100 from the bank [illegible] together [illegible] Years afterward [illegible]

[illegible] Quiet.

[illegible] Herald.]

[illegible] excellent [illegible] Well [illegible]

[illegible] these parts [illegible] hoped that January would be an extremely hot month, as usual.

First Person Saved from Hydrophobia.

[illegible] is the first person in [illegible] that is to say cured of [illegible] has sealed Pasteur's [illegible] in the struggle of humanity. [illegible] Joseph Meister is aged [illegible] the son of a baker in the [illegible] going to school [illegible] of Steige in Alsace along [illegible] as usual. He was savagely attacked [illegible] dog. The child made no [illegible] covered his face. A mason saw [illegible] and, with an iron bar [illegible] the brute. The dog gained its home and was shot by its master as mad. It [illegible] was [illegible] foam and its stomach [illegible] bits of wood were found. [illegible] fourteen terrible bites [illegible] The mother wished [illegible] a doctor applied carbolic [illegible] urged the mother to proceed to [illegible] Meister was a prey to hope and fear. He consulted the surgeons and they advised [illegible] evening at 8 [illegible] the mother and [illegible] the first [illegible] vaccine [illegible] ribs [illegible] the 10th of [illegible] confesses [illegible] great [illegible] In a short time [illegible] will be in a position [illegible] bitten by [illegible] come to [illegible] nothing at all.

[illegible]

[illegible] of the earth [illegible] the easiest to pump [illegible] from a [illegible] mark [illegible] to ask the cost afterward.

How did I do [illegible] revolver. What did it cost [illegible] box up to see the mark, and it was 2 [illegible]

[illegible] truth or may not. If it is [illegible] I find a box [illegible] I ask the cost of that [illegible] I am now [illegible] can [illegible] guess that [illegible] are and [illegible] other letters on and [illegible] what the mar is [illegible] that [illegible] as the cost [illegible] trip book so that I can use it when [illegible] or when our other man is here.

My way now is to [illegible] If [illegible] the clerk's loose tongue and lack of sense.

A Case of Spontaneous Combustion

Some one has estimated that the time thrown away in this world in courting the girl you want to marry and who is ready to marry you would build all the railroads and bridges and tunnels and factories and public buildings. The white race should take a lesson in this from the colored people. The other day a likely young colored man stood at a gate in [illegible] Ala. A likely young colored woman came along with a dog.

"[illegible]," he called, "but mebbe you want to sell dat dog."

"[illegible] sah."

"[illegible] your name is Lucinda?"

"Yes, sah."

"I allers dote on dat name. I'ze called Gaw[illegible]"

"[illegible] pleasin'."

"I'ze [illegible] you know?"

"Yes."

"[illegible] saved [illegible] a study job an' [illegible] speak to de ole man."

"[illegible] New Orleans."

"[illegible] woman."

"[illegible]"

"Well, den I'll ax you to be my wife right now."

"[illegible] foolin'."

"[illegible] no."

"[illegible] got nobody else."

"Nobody [illegible]"

"[illegible] we'll hitch."

"[illegible] we will—can't help it."

"Well, den I'll say yes an to-night you come down to Mrs. Grumley's kitchen an we'll sot de day an sorter git equainted."

"Lucinda I—"

"[illegible] Gawge, I'ze done said yes [illegible]"

"[illegible] Cinda."

"[illegible]"

[illegible] Good.

[illegible]

But first it may not be amiss to remark that the two principal reasons why the [illegible] linens [illegible] first [illegible] possesses the qualities which render it specially adapted to the growing of flax and [illegible] the bleaching [illegible] were solely [illegible] spread out on the grass and sprinkled from time to time with water. It was [illegible] experience that where this was [illegible] would bleach out perfect white, the same result could not be attained in either England or Scotland. The [illegible] in the two latter countries [illegible] instances [illegible] iron [illegible] the [illegible] preclude [illegible] from coming [illegible] bleached goods.

New Style of Paving Blocks.

[illegible]

The new style of paving block is composed of a hollow iron shell filled with any desired concrete, the shell being arched [illegible] and for street paving [illegible] wide and from ten [illegible] long. The blocks [illegible] are [illegible] the [illegible] with asphalt [illegible] these blocks would be about as smooth as if paved with asphalt.

IN A CROWD.

I would not for the wor[illegible] my dearest
Glance t[illegible]ard thee when anothe
Lest he w[illegible] hances to be nearest
Observe the flash of eye to eye

Thy name exacts some instant token—
The costly blush, the trem[illegible] tone,
To ear indifferent, lightly spoken,
It shall not pass for Gossip's own

Is't strange in crowds I seem to shun th
I keep my heart a refuge there,
Where thoughts of thee that press upo
May find the silence of a prayer

Conkling as a Pedestrian.

[Brooklyn Eagle.]

Perhaps the most notable figure [illegible] men who walk abroad howeve [illegible]oscoe Conkling. The great sta seems to take life easily now, a walks with a more leisurely air th did just after he had given up p and returned to the practice of la have often heard him speak of the a[illegible]tages of a good stiff walk as an an for the blues, dyspepsia or any and other ailment that flesh is heir to, a certainly practices what he preaches

I have seen him walking on Broa a far down as Broome street, at mid doing a good four miles an hou swinging his arms with the easy of a practiced athlete. I have met [illegible] morning taking his constitu [illegible] his massive sho [illegible] rising above the cro [illegible] and he goes to the [illegible] of all sorts conti [illegible] call him a disappointe [illegible] his appearance h [illegible] with it, for he seems yo fresher and more vigorous to da ever before.

A Wonderful [illegible] of Lemon

[illegible]

"My dear, you haven't cut the le them [illegible] brought home last [illegible] haven't time to read how I am coming along with m [illegible]"

"[illegible] dear. You've worked ste it every evening this week [illegible]"

"Yes."

"There's about [illegible] yards of [illegible]"

"Yes."

"[illegible] can buy it in the store for [illegible]"

"[illegible] would be [illegible] would [illegible] wonderful freak [illegible] the [illegible] your ey [illegible] over a wel [illegible] you're just too mean f [illegible]"

A [illegible] Grindstone.

[illegible]

An old lady [illegible] a paragraph of the [illegible] the other day de [illegible] saw [illegible] happened [illegible] there was a sma [illegible] leaning [illegible] went out and go [illegible] and the [illegible] of her face so th [illegible] expected her face would [illegible] the stone taken out [illegible] twenty [illegible] were [illegible] stuck in [illegible] bearing a [illegible] marked "[illegible]" [illegible] says [illegible] was not [illegible] the thing before this.

Mexican Dollars for China

[illegible]

San Francisco is sending 11 [illegible] Mexican dollars to [illegible] this ye [illegible] rapidly [illegible] and the [illegible] among the Mongolia[illegible] money comes to San Francisc [illegible] of dollars purchased by Mex[illegible] The Mexican govern [illegible] aware of this enormous amou coin being hurried to a foreign without [illegible] return coming ba the sister public does not cons coin. The eleven mints are leas private individuals. The mints come simply factories in which [illegible] turned out for expo [illegible] manufactured and called a Mexica

[illegible] Works for Venice

[illegible]

The new waterworks for V [illegible] of an [illegible] carry water from the main that [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] of P [illegible] the finishing point afte of some [illegible] years the finishe comprising the aqueduct whi under the lagoons the [illegible] pipes for the distribution of t and two large reservoirs in the t water to be taken from the cana as Dei Mor[illegible]

In Praise of Dakota.

[illegible]

An immigrant at Castle Garde few days ago for information [illegible] gard to the [illegible] of [illegible] terr was handed the [illegible] up by the roots and throw fence into the British posses you have a hungry looking [illegible] Minnesota [illegible] and what the have [illegible] the v in the ground up into knot hole wood around them and you ha lumber to build houses for all States and part of New Jersey

How Josh Billings Sifted M

A correspondent writes to Mall Gazette about Josh Bill says: He told me that m writing was done at odd time ever a thought struck him he it down then from a hundred jointed sentences he would sift and correct until five or six rem was this boiling down togethe wide knowledge of human nat by hard knocks against the w gave his writings that pithy which was their real value and

Ireland's [illegible] of Peat

[illegible]

In Ireland between [illegible] go a bay there is a bog surface of prising 2[illegible] nea which forms one of the most [illegible] These bogs are composed of pe ing about twenty [illegible] feet in The mass consists of matted ro and stems of plants [illegible] upper proximates in composition w that at the bottom of bogs formation may be compared w or even with coa

Wo[illegible] of Arabian C

[illegible]

A strip of Arabian paper d the [illegible] cut wi[illegible] been [illegible] Austrian archduke shows [illegible] the art [illegible] probably of [illegible] at all events known to the A ninth century

FRESH OYSTERS AT
The Grocery Store Of
BOYD & BROWN.

49 and 99
Means no More or Less than This:
After invoicing we found quite a variety of winter goods that we will not carry over another season, and to quickly dispose of them have made 2 COUNTERS,
One 49 Cts. and One 99 Cts.
On the former is a Hundred Pair of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes. On the latter 100 pair of Ladies' & Gent's Footwear.
Your Pick for 49 or 99 Cents.
These prices are not one half cost, but they must go. We have also a rack of Boots, where the prices are so low that the goods are almost given away.
And just now we are supplying the demand for
RUBBER GOODS!
At astonishing low prices. The Cash System enables us to do it. It is the secret of Great Bargains. Come early.
TRISTRAM & YOUNG,
THE STRICTLY CASH BOOT & SHOE MEN, Opposite C. H.

LOCAL NEWS.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY

—The meeting of the dance club last night was a pleasant affair

—Geo B Scofield left for Buffalo last night as a full fledged stockman

—H B Hume has so far convalesced as to come down town this afternoon.

—The paper announcing Cora Van Tassel's coming was put on the boards today

—John Naylor is on the mend we are pleased to state It is said he is able to sit up

—A Latourette has placed a new engine in his tile machine works in West Marion

—George Uhler is at home sick with an affliction similar to Job's, though not so severe

—They now have genuine rats at the court house instead of the species usually referred to

—Mrs Ed K Clark has returned from a two week's visit at her former home in Galion

—Everything is dull but sleighing, and, to use the expression, the work of gathering news is at present "tough sleddin'."

—Sleighing improves and is the most popular pleasure we have at present The beautiful sleighs seen on the streets are almost innumerable.

—The county commissioners did not remain in Columbus till the close of the convention, but returned last evening. They have a session tomorrow

—Caledonia Argus We learn that J. L Smith, of Claridon, of whose sickness mention was made last week, died on Wednesday Mrs Faglebarger, of that place, also died last week

—Sam Hume writes from Chicago to Smiley & Co for a shipment of butter and eggs as he thinks he can make a big margin in that business He writes that he has quit "booz"

—Only $1 50 for the Weekly STAR one year, and a Coupon good for ONE DOLLAR in trade goes with it The best paper in the County thus costs but 50 CENTS per year Try it

—D W. Gibbs came down from Toledo last night and expected to find the carpenters busy at the wood work in the court house but did not find it so The contractors are delayed in getting the lumber from the mills

—Only ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS for the Weekly STAR one year, and a Coupon good for ONE DOLLAR in trade goes with it The best paper in the County thus costs but FIFTY CENTS per year Try it

—Mrs S H. Coover, of Caledonia, has applied for a legal separation from her husband, Samuel Mrs Coover, or Mrs Fink as she is better known, for that was her name previous to her last marriage, also sues Mrs Agnes Bateman for $5,000 libel damages

—It is not an uncommon sight now to see twenty boys hanging on to a passing sled and sometimes, half that many clinging to a sleigh It affords the youngsters great sport, perhaps, but there is danger of some one getting hurt, and seriously, too They had better coast among themselves.

—We need not complain. A great deal is heard about the fearful cold of this locality, and more so of the Northwest, but New England manages to nearly or quite equal the worst that Dakota can do Tuesday morning, for instance the thermometer was 40 degrees below zero in parts of Vermont.

—Bob Sweney has completed a novel sign for Boyd & Brown, the popular grocers On the one side of a large six foot canvas the artist has splendidly copied the "Southern School," as portrayed by Blackwell's Durham tobacco advertisements and it is an attractive picture. On the other is the "happy man," holding in his hand the DAILY STAR, with a large display ad of this live firm in a prominent position The sign is not only one that will attract attention when it is hung out, but a piece of work that reflects credit upon the artist who wrought it

—Mirror [illegible] Lodge Knights of [illegible] this city expects to have a grand fraternal banquet in the near future [illegible] Friday night three candidates [illegible] the First degree and next [illegible] five will take the Second, and [illegible] are in waiting When a good[illegible] have come together for the [illegible] about seventy-five Knights [illegible] will come here to confer [illegible] in the [illegible] style which is claimed [illegible] attractive This will be made [illegible] banquet and [illegible] Knights are [illegible] It [illegible] time A large number of visitors will also be present from neighboring lodges.

—Manager Pettit having been asked frequently to procure a good company to play at cheap prices in Music Hall, has at last secured the company he has been corresponding with since last October—the Cora Van Tassel company—having the reputation of being among the best companies on the road, having already played return dates this season in several of our neighboring cities—Akron, Ashland, Mansfield, Wooster, Springfield, etc This company will commence a week's engagement at Music Hall next Monday night, at these popular prices Children, 10 cents, general admission, 20 cents, and reserved seats, 30 cents Monday night will be produced Fanchon, with a change of programme every night.

Farmers' Institute.

An adjourned meeting of the Farmers' Institute was held at the Kerr House last Saturday, but was not very well attended on account of the extreme inclemency of the weather and the agricultural election Therefore the meeting adjourned to meet at the same place on Saturday, January 16th, at 1 o'clock p. m, when it is hoped there will be a larger attendance. The object of the meeting will be to complete the programme and transact other important business. D H CLIFTON, Pres't

G F LAWRENCE, Sec'y

Coshocton's Railroad Worry.

Speaking of the prospective building of the Zanesville, Mt Vernon and Marion railroad, the Coshocton Age says "The building of this road would be the death knell of the Mt Vernon, Coshocton and Wheeling road, and a blow to Coshocton business interests that could not be remedied in years to come. If Coshocton people really want to grow in population and business they must awaken from their lethargy and secure more railroads The Cannon Ball line is the only one that presents itself now, and, unless prompt action is taken, this may take wings and leave us, or be crushed out of existence by other routes that will be pushed"

Agricultural Society.

The annual election of the Marion County Agricultural Society was held at the society's office in this city last Saturday, and resulted in the election of the following officers and members of the board of managers

President, P G Harvey, Vice President, John McElvy, member of the Board of Managers for Tully township, D. N Auld, Scott township, M H Monnett, Grand Prairie township, Geo. W. Walters, Salt Rock township, John Washburn, Grand township, W E Davis, Marion township, P. Kelly, Green township John B Travis, Bowling Green township, Jos D. Guthrey

On account of the stormy day a lighter vote was polled than ever heretofore.

There will be a meeting of the Board next Saturday at 10 o'clock, a m, for the transaction of important business, when it is hoped that the attendance will be much larger

C., H. V. and T. Election.

Columbus Journal The annual meeting of stockholders of the Columbus, Hocking Valley and Toledo Railroad Company was held yesterday morning at the office of President Greene in this city There was a good representation, and all the old directors were elected, as follows M M Greene, Columbus, S Burke, Charles Hickox, W J McKinnie, Charles G Hickox and J. H Wade, Cleveland, C H. Andrews Youngstown Messrs Greene, Burke, Hickox and McKinnie were chosen as the executive committee

Immediately after the election of directors the latter met and re-elected the following officers President, M. M. Greene, first vice president, S Burke, of Cleveland, second vice president, W. M Greene, secretary, W M Greene, treasurer, W N Cott President Greene then submitted the following appointments General superintendent, G R Carr, auditor, F B Everett general freight agent, W A Mills, general passenger and ticket agent, H J Falkenbach, The appointments were all approved by the board

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

—Miss [illegible] Cunningham is visiting friends at [illegible]

—The Ch[illegible] arrived from Columbus at 12 00 today

—Harvey Wilson [illegible] over to Caledonia to [illegible] business

—Copeland's new grocery Fisher block, west Center street

—Charles Smith went to Cleveland this forenoon to remain a short time

—[illegible] will [illegible] the secrets of [illegible] Mas[illegible]

—[illegible] appointed [illegible] estate of George Fetter Sr, deceased.

—Everything new and fresh at Copeland's new grocery in Fisher block, west Center street 6tf.

—Walter McConehy and Reddy Furgeson, of VanWert arrived in the city this afternoon

—Theodore Stafford and Miss Mollie George, of Caledonia, were licensed to wed yesterday.

—The committees appointed to confer with the council on the subject of waterworks meet tonight.

—Take a look into Copeland's new grocery and see the finest line of groceries ever kept in Marion. 6tf

—Mrs. E B Raffensperger has been visiting in Marion, the guest of her son, Dr E. H Raffensperger

—John Diebold held the lucky number "9" that drew the English Bull-dog revolver at B Hall's last night

—E W Copeland has the finest and freshest stock of groceries in Marion Fisher block, west Center street

—Mr and Mrs Geo Detrich have returned to Marion, after a ten weeks' stay with George's folks in Indianapolis.

—Misses Laura Fogle and Della Barton, of Mt Gilead, are stopping with Judge Criswell and wife for a few days

—General Manager Broughton, of the C and A, was in the city with his private car He left on train one Thursday

—We are indebted to Postmaster Tristram for an annual report of the officers and trustees of the Girls' Industrial Home at Delaware

—The blizzard has made itself visible in the local columns of our weekly exchanges They do not contain the usual budget of local happenings.

—Commissioners Harper, Vanorsdall and Barnthouse, of Wyandott county, were in the city today, and met the Marion county board in joint session.

—A prize game of pool was played at the Kerr House billiard hall last night between Chas Wyman and Jack Walters. The latter won six out of nine games

—People who compel their children to imperil their lives by stealing coal from passing freight trains should receive the attention of the S P C A The like occurs in this city

—Prepare for another blizzard. A dispatch went flying over the wires last night with the very chilly news that by Sunday the mercury will fall from 20 to 25 degrees. Ugh!

—There are some uncivilized toughs in this city who had better learn to talk respectably on the street, or in a lower tone Respectable citizens will not submit to their foul utterances

—Gen l Manager G M Beach, of the Bee Line, passed through the city today in his private car attached to train 3 He was on his way to Bellefontaine where Mrs Beach's mother is ill

—A good number of our young people sleighrided to Prospect last night The only attraction reported in that way is the excellent roads The sleigh bumps along rather roughly on the mud roads.

—Frank A Shrote returned from Boston the fore part of the week, where he had taken a load of eighteen horses belonging to him and Will Foster. He disposed of the horses at very fair prices

—Sheriff Beckly and Deputy Sim Rice took James Payne, the insane man, to Columbus this morning to enter the asylum Payne became greatly off his base just at starting and required considerable watching

—Bob Allen, the greatest favorite of the polo club, is sick in bed and will not be able to play against the Chicagos tonight The admirers of the team will greatly regret to learn this, as will Bob's many friends

—To give an idea of the amount of coal the business houses in this city burn, we have only to state that city teamster, Chas Beringer, gathers two big wagon loads of ashes on his rounds every morning

—An advertiser of tobacco was in the city yesterday giving away sample plugs to every passer by The members of the polo club chewed from their own plugs yesterday "for the first time in twenty four years"

—The flags are out at the U S Express office today. It is another girl to call Dick Payne pa and she weighs eight pounds We smoke because the boys joke him about a package of express without a way bill

—Mt Gilead is putting in her best licks for the new Z, Mt V and M R'y. There is no town on the line that needs the road more than Mt Gilead and she may well hustle her sleepy self and make every effort possible to secure it

Another comet will soon be visible to the naked eye It is not necessary for lovers to commence looking for it until about the 20th inst, and at that time the weather may not be favorable to extended observations from the veranda

—It is said that the oleomargerine manufacturers are putting cow hairs in their butter in order to make it the more closely resemble real dairy butter. This is a hint for the dairymen to mislead these rascals by keeping cow hairs out of the butter

—The Irvine joint county ditch in Marion and Wyandot counties was considered before a joint meeting of the Marion and Wyandot county boards at the auditors office today It was interesting, made so by the land owners, who are very heavily assessed.

—A very reputable family in the country received a heavy trunk last week that was forwarded them without any word of explanation as to the contents or where it came from. At the last report it was still a mystery, as they had not yet dared to open it.

—The wayward Lewis M. Holverstott is temporarily sojourning at the Tremont House in the city of Lincoln, Neb He, with a young woman passing there for his wife, occupies room No 40 in said hotel Naughty Lewis! we say for your benefit, "you better look a leetle out"

—John J. Masterson called this morning to tell us that he wasn't run over by the cars last night though a good many had that idea and tried to argue him into the belief that he was a mangled corpse John says it will be a cold day when the cars catch him and as the weather wasn't sufficiently cold last night John is on hand this morning in perfect form.

—The little lady, Cora Van Tassel, is a universal favorite, her wonderful popularity is an ample guarantee for a crowded house at any theatre she is announced to appear She, above all others, deserves the title of "The People's Favorite" Eastern and Western cities have deservingly given her the most flattering notices on account of the extraordinary favor with which she has been received wherever she appeared —"Chicago Herald." Music Hall, Marion, one week, commencing Monday evening next, in "Fanchon the Cricket" Reserved seats now on sale at Tristram & Young's

—A party of merry young people consisting of L E. Grimm and Miss Eva Emery, Geo Sweney and Misses Maud and Met Roberts, and Tom Emery and Miss Minnie Roberts drove out to the elegant home of Phil Linn, three miles north of this city, last evening and enjoyed one of the happiest times they have ever reported. Mrs. Linn gave them posession of the house and lent her own efforts in a royal entertainment for them And, as usual, they were treated to a feast that would pass under the criticisms of the most confirmed epicure, for Mrs Linn knows just how to prepare tempting morsels for a grand feast

—Quite an excitement was caused on the streets last night by the announcement that little Marian DeWolfe, a six-year-old daughter of the grain and coal dealer, had been lost The news spread quickly and soon a large number of citizens were searching for her in every direction, even church dismissing to join in the hunt In a short time one of the searching party found the little truant safely at the home of Dr. Harding, on east Center street, where she had gone with the children from school Mrs Harding thought it unusual that so small a child should come to remain over night, though the children were great friends and playmates, but did not send her home, as she claimed to have come with her mother's consent, and the story seemed probable, as she had stopped at her parents' home on the way out to leave her books The parents were greatly joyed to find her safe

MARRIED.

DAVIS—BOLEN.—By Rev J A Sut[illegible] at his residence in Green Camp, [illegible], Jan 13th, 1886, Mr John W. Davis to Miss Clara A. Bolen, both of Marion county

Peace to their bosoms, flowers to their pathway."

IN BETTER QUARTERS!
Frash's New Dry Goods Store has been removed into New Quarters, and is now located in the elegant new room in the McNeal & Wolford Block, where there is more room and more light, and the finest display of Dry Goods in Marion.
We are offering Special Values in Dress Goods and All-wool Blankets! Unheard-of Prices in Underwear! Startling Reductions in Cloaks and Winter Wraps, as we will not carry them over. JOHN FRASH,
W. Center St., next door to P. O.

EVERYTHING NEW!
FRESH AND PURE
—AT THE—
New Grocery Store
—OF—
E. W. COPELAND
Fisher Block, W. Center St.
He does not advertise to sell cheaper than any other merchant, but claims
The Best and Cleanest
Stock of Goods in Marion.
A share of patronage is Solicited, and everybody invited to call and see what
A FINE LINE HE CARRIES!

Card of Thanks.

Please allow us space in your columns to return our most sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for their kind aid and assistance during our son Michael's sickness and death

MR AND MRS. JNO. NOONAN.

Accident on the C. and T.

Yesterday afternoon Johnny Andrews whilst crossing between some cars on the C, H. V and T railroad, at the Silver street crossing, was caught between the deadwoods and had his right arm frightfully lacerated, one wound extending the entire length of forearm, laying open the arm to tendons and bone. Several other cuts were also received. Dr. A Rhu was called and, with the assistance of Bob Sweney, adjusted the wounds. The boy is suffering considerably from the shock.

The High Points of the State.

[Kenton Democrat]

In view of the inquiry and suggestions about the probabilities of natural gas or oil being found in this country, and as possible aid to investigation on this subject, we give below the heights of various points above Lake Erie These figures are taken from railroad surveys and are generally intended to give the height of track at depots or points named on the road, viz Kenton is marked 442 feet, but this is evidently the summit in the north part of town, as the bed of the Scioto river is marked 380 feet, and it is not 62 feet lower than the track at the depot, Forest, 365, Carey, 245; Tiffin, 183, Logan county line, 484, Bellefontaine, 643, Dunkirk, 376, Ada, 383; Lima, 302, Wapakoneta, 318, Sidney, 428, Marion, 389 The high points in this part of the State on railroad tracks are as follows. Four miles east of Bellefontaine on the Bee Line, 772 feet; Ontario, east of Galion, 802 feet.

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CARRISTON'S GIFT

By HUGH CONWAY

Author of "Called Back" "Dark Days," 'A Family Affair,' etc

[TOLD BY PHILIP BRAND, M D , LONDON]

CHAPTER VI.

The advantage to one who writes, not a *tale of imagination* but a simple record of events is this He need not be bound by the recognized canons of the story-telling art—need not exercise his ingenuity to mislead his reader—need not suppress some things and lay undue stress on others to create mysteries to be cleared up at the end of the tale. Therefore, using the privilege of a plain narrator, I shall here give some account of what became of Miss Rowan, as, so far as I can remember I heard it some time afterward from her own lips.

The old Scotch woman's funeral over, and those friends who had been present departed, Madeline was left in the little farm house alone save for the presence of the two servants Several kind bodies had offered to come and stay with her, but she had declined the offers She was in no mood for company, and perhaps, being of such a different race and breed, would not have found much comfort in the rough, homely sympathy which was offered to her She preferred being alone with her grief—grief which, after all, was bound to be much lightened by the thought of her own approaching happiness, for the day was drawing near when her lover would cross the border and bear his bonnie bride away She felt sure that she would not be long alone—that the moment Carriston heard of her aunt's death he would come to her assistance In such a peaceful God fearing neighborhood she had no fear of being left without protection. Moreover, her position in the house was well defined. The old woman, who was childless, had left her niece all of which she died possessed So Madeline decided to wait quietly until she heard from her lover

Still, there were business matters to be attended to, and at the funeral, Mr Douglas, of Callendar, the executor under the will, had suggested that an early interview would be desirable. He offered to drive out to the little farm the next day, but Miss Rowan, who had to see to some feminine necessaries which could only be supplied by shops, decided that she would come to the town instead of troubling Mr Douglas to drive so far out.

Madeline, in spite of the superstitious element in her character was a brave girl, and in spite of her refined style of beauty, strong and healthy Early hours were the rule in that humble home, so before 7 o'clock in the morning she was ready to start on *her drive to the little town* At first she thought of taking with her the boy who did the rough, out-door work, but he was busy about something or other, and besides, was a garrulous lad, who would be certain to chatter the whole way, and this morning Miss Rowan wanted no companions save her own mingled thoughts of sadness and joy She knew *every inch of the road*—she feared no evil—she would be home again before nightfall—the pony was quiet and sure-footed—so away went Madeline in the strong, primitive vehicle on her lonely twelve-mile drive through the fair scenery

She passed few people on the road In deed, she remembered *meeting* no one except one or two pedestrian tourists, who, like sensible men, were doing a portion of their day's task in the early morning I have no doubt but Miss Rowan seemed to them a passing vision of lovliness

But when she was a mile or two from Callendar she saw a boy on a pony. The boy, who must have known her by sight, stopped and handed her a telegram She had to pay several shillings for the delivery, or intended delivery, of the message, so far from the station. The boy galloped away, congratulating himself on having been spared a long ride, and Miss Rowan tore open the envelope left in her hands

'The message was brief. 'Mr Carr is seriously ill Come at once. You will be met in London "

Madeline did not scream or faint. She gave one low moan of pain, set her teeth, and with the face of one in a dream drove as quickly as she could to Callendar, straight to the railway station

Fortunately, or rather unfortunately, she had money with her so she did not waste time in going to Mr Douglas. In spite of the crushing blow she had received the girl had all her wits about her. A train would start in ten minutes' time. She took her ticket, then found an idler outside the station and paid him to take the pony and carriage back to the farm, with the message as repeated to Carriston.

The journey passed like a long dream The girl could think of nothing but her lover, dying dying—perhaps dead before she could reach him The miles flew by unnoticed, twilight crept on, the carriage grew dark, at last—London at last! Miss Rowan stepped out on the broad platform, not knowing what to do or where to turn *Presently a tall, well-dressed man came up* to her, and removing his hat, addressed her by name The promise as to her being met had been kept

She clasped her hands. "Tell me—oh, tell me he is not dead!' she cried

"Mr Carr is not dead He is ill, very ill—delirious, and calling for you "

"Where is he? Oh, take me to him!"

"He is miles and miles from here—at a friend's house I have been deputed to meet you and to accompany you, if you feel strong enough to continue the journey at once."

'Come," said Madeline "Take me to him.'

"Your luggage?' asked the gentleman.

"I have none Come!

"You must take some refreshment."

'I need nothing Come!'

The gentleman glanced at his watch 'There is just time,' he said He called a cab, told the driver to go at top speed They reached Paddington just in time to catch the mail.

During the drive across London Madeline asked many questions, and learned from her companion that Mr Carr had been staying for a day or two at a friend's house in the west of England That yesterday he had fallen from his horse and sustained such injuries that his life was despaired of He had been continually calling for Madeline. They had found her address on a letter, and had telegraphed as soon as possible—for which act Miss Rowan thanked her companion with tears in her eyes

Her conductor did not say much of his own accord, but in replying to her questions he was politely sympathetic She thought of little outside the fearful picture which filled every corner of her brain, but from her conductor's manner received the impression that he was a medical adviser, who had seen the sufferer and assisted in the treatment of the case She did not ask his name nor did he reveal it,

At Paddington he placed her in a ladies carriage and left her He was a smoker, he said She wondered somewhat at this *desertion* Then the train sped down west. At the large stations the gentleman came to her and offered her refreshments. Hunger seemed to have left her, but she accepted a cup of tea once or twice At last sorrow, fatigue, and the weakness produced by such a prolonged fast had their natural effect. With the tears still on her lashes the girl fell asleep, and must have slept for many miles a sleep unbroken by stoppages at station

Her conductor at last aroused her He stood at the door of the carriage "We must get out here" he said All the momentarily forgotten anguish came back to her as she stood beside him on the almost unoccupied platform

'Are we there at last?' she asked.

"I am sorry to say we have still a long drive Would you like to rest first?"

"No, no Come on if you please She spoke with feverish eagerness

The man bowed "A carriage waits," he said

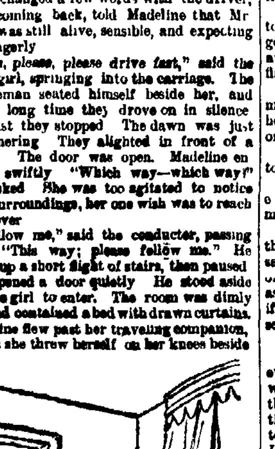
Outside the station was a carriage of some sort, drawn by one horse, and driven by a man muffled up to the eyes. It was still night, but Madeline fancied dawn could not be far off Her conductor opened the door *of the carriage and waited for her to enter*

She paused 'Ask him—that man must know if—'

'I am most remiss ' said the gentleman He exchanged a few words with the driver, and coming back, told Madeline that Mr Carr was still alive, sensible, and expecting her eagerly

"*Oh, please, please drive fast*," said the poor girl, springing into the carriage. The gentleman seated himself beside her, and for a long time they drove on in silence At last they stopped The dawn was just glimmering They alighted in front of a house The door was open. Madeline entered swiftly "Which way—which way?" she asked She was too agitated to notice any surroundings, her one wish was to reach her lover

"Allow me," said the conductor, passing her "This way; please follow me." He went up a short flight of stairs, then paused and opened a door quietly He stood aside for the girl to enter. The room was dimly lit, and contained a bed with drawn curtains. Madeline flew past her travelling companion, and as she threw herself on her knees beside the bed upon which she expected to see the helpless and shattered form of the man she loved, heard, or fancied she heard, the door locked behind her



He stood aside for the girl to enter

CHAPTER VII

Carriston slept on late into the next day Knowing that every moment of bodily and *mental rest* was a *precious boon* to him, I left him undisturbed He was still fast asleep when, about midday, a gentleman called upon me He sent up no card, and I supposed he came to consult me professionally

The moment he entered my room I recognized him He was the thin lipped, gentlemanly person whom I had met on my journey to Bournemouth last spring—the man who had seemed so much impressed by my views on insanity, and had manifested such interest in the description I had given—without mentioning any name—of Carriston's peculiar mind

I should have at once claimed acquaintanceship with my visitor but before I could speak he advanced and apologized gracefully for his intrusion

"You will forgive it," he added, "when I tell you my name is Ralph Carriston "

Remembering our chance conversation, the thought that, after all Charles Carriston's wild suspicion was well founded flashed through me like lightning My great hope was that my visitor might not remember *my face as I remembered his*. I bowed coldly, but said nothing

"I believe, Dr Brand " he continued, 'you have a young relative of mine at present staying with you?'

'Yes, Mr Carriston is my guest," I answered "We are old friends."

"Ah, I did not know that. I do not remember having heard him mention your name as a friend But, as it is so, no one knows better than you do the unfortunate state of his health How do you find him to-day—violent?"

I pretended to ignore the man's meaning, and answered smilingly "Violence is the *last thing I should look for* He is tired out and exhausted by travel, and is in great distress. That, I believe, is the whole of his complaint "

'Yes, yes, to be sure, poor boy. His sweetheart has left him, or something But as a doctor you must know that his mental condition is not quite what it should be. His friends are very anxious about him They fear that a little restraint—temporary, I hope—must be put upon his actions I called to ask your advice and aid

"In what, Mr Carriston?"

"In this. A young man can't be left free to go about threatening his friends' lives. I have brought Dr Daley with me—you know him, of course. He is below in my carriage. I will call him up, with your permission He could then see poor Charles and the needful certificate could be signed by you two doctors

'Mr Carriston," I said, decidedly, "let me tell you in the plainest words that your cousin is at present as fully in possession of his wits as you are. Dr Daley—whoever he may be—could sign no certificate, and in our day no asylum would dare to keep Mr Carriston within its walls

An unpleasant, sinister look crossed my listener's face but his voice still remained bland and suave 'I am sorry to differ from you, Dr Brand ' he said 'but I know him better than you do I have seen him as you have never yet seen him Only last night he came to me in a frantic state I expected every moment he would make a murderous attack on me

"Perhaps he fancied he had some reasons for anger " I said

Ralph Carriston looked at me with those cold eyes of which his cousin had spoken

'If the boy has succeeded in converting you to any of his delusion I can only say that doctors are more credulous than I fancied But the question is not worth arguing You decline to assist me so I must do without you Good morning, Dr Brand

He left the room as gracefully as he had entered it I remained in a state of doubt It was curious that Ralph Carriston turned out to be the man whom I had met in the train but the evidence offered by the coincidence was not enough to convict him of the crime of endeavoring to drive his cousin mad by such a far fetched strategem as the inveigling away of Madeline Rowan Besides, even in wishing to prove Charles Carriston mad he had much to say on his side Supposing him to be innocent of having abducted Madeline, Carriston's wild behavior on the preceding evening must have seemed very much like insanity I thought of the aversion with which Ralph Carriston inspired me I scarcely knew which to believe

Carriston still slept, so when I went out on my afternoon rounds I left a note begging him to remain in the house until my return [illegible] I found him up, dressed and looking much more like himself When I entered dinner was on the table so not until that meal was over could we talk unrestrainedly upon the subject which was uppermost in both our minds

As soon as we were alone I turned toward my guest "And now " I said, 'we must settle what to do There seems to me to be but one course open You have plenty of money so your best plan is to engage skilled police assistance Young ladies can't be spirited away like this without leaving a trace

To my surprise Carriston flatly objected to the course 'No ' he said, 'I shall not go to the police The man who took her away has placed her where no police can find her I must find her myself

"Find her yourself!' Why, it may be months—years—before you do that! Good heavens Carriston! She may be murdered, or worse——

'I shall know if any further evil happens to her then I shall kill Ralph Carriston '

"But you tell me you have no clew whatever to trace her by Do talk plainly Tell me all or nothing "

Carriston smiled very faintly 'No clew that you at any rate, will believe in,' he said. 'But I know this much, she is a prisoner somewhere She is unhappy, but not, as yet, ill treated Heavens! Do you think if I did not know this I should keep my senses for an hour?"

"How can you possibly know it?"

"By that gift—that extra sense, or whatever it is—which you deride. I knew it would come to me some day, but I little thought how I should welcome it I know that in some way I shall find her by it. I tell you I have already seen her three times. I may see her again at any moment when the strange fit comes over me "

All this fantastic nonsense was spoken so simply and with such an air of conviction that once more my suspicions as to the state of his mind were aroused In spite of the brave answers which I had given Mr Ralph Carriston I felt that common-sense was undeniably on his side

"Tell me what you mean by your strange fit," I said, resolved to find out the nature of Carriston's fancies or hallucinations 'Is it a kind of trance you fall into?"

He seemed loath to give any information on the subject, but I pressed him for an answer

"Yes," he said at last "*It must be a kind of trance* An indescribable feeling comes over me I know that my eyes are fixed on some object—presently that object vanishes and I see Madeline

'How do you see her?"

'She seems to stand in a blurred circle of light as cast by a magic lantern. That is the only way that I can describe it. But her figure is plain and clear—she might be close to me The carpet on which she stands I can see, the chair on which she sits, the table on which she leans her hand, anything she touches I can see, but no more I have seen her talking I knew she was entreating *some one, but that some one was invisible* Yet, if she touched that person, the virtue of her touch would enable me to see him

So far as I could see, Carriston's case appeared to be one of overwrought or unduly stimulated imagination His I had always considered to be a mind of the most peculiar construction. In his present state of love, grief, and suspense these hallucinations might come in the same way in which dreams come For a little while I sat in silence considering how I could best combat with and dispel his remarkable delusions. Before I had arrived at any decision I was called away to see a patient I was but a short time engaged Then I returned to Carriston, intending to continue my inquiries

Upon re-entering the room I found him sitting as I had left him—directly opposite to the door His face was turned fully toward me, and I trembled as I caught sight of it. He was leaning forward his hand on the table cloth, his whole frame rigid, his eyes staring in one direction, yet, I knew, capable of seeing nothing that I could see He *seemed even oblivious* to sound, for I entered the room and closed the door *behind* me without causing him to change look or position The moment I saw the man I knew that he had been overtaken by what he called his strange fit

My first impulse—a natural one—was to arouse him, but second thoughts told me that *this was an opportunity for studying* his disease which should not be lost—I felt that I could call it by no other name than disease—so I proceeded to make a systematic examination of his symptoms.

I leaned across the table, and, with my face about a foot from his, looked straight into his eyes. They betrayed no sign of recognition—no knowledge of my presence. I am ashamed to say I could not divest myself of the impression that they were looking through me The pupils were greatly dilated. The lids were wide apart I lighted a taper and held it before them, but could see no expansion of the iris. It was a case I confess, entirely beyond my comprehension. I had no experience which might serve as a guide as to what was the best course to adopt All I could do was to stand and watch carefully for any change

Save for his regular breathing and a sort of convulsive twitching of his fingers, Carriston might have been a corpse or a statue. His face could scarcely grow paler than it had been before the attack Altogether, it was an uncomfortable sight—a creepy sight—this motionless man, utterly regardless of all that went on around him, and seeing, or giving one the idea that he saw, something far away I sighed as I looked at the strange spectacle, and foresaw what the end must surely be But although I longed for him to awake I determined on this occasion to let the trance, or fit run its full course, that I might notice in what manner and how soon consciousness returned

I must have waited and watched some ten minutes [illegible] minute which seemed to me interminable At last I saw the lips quiver, the lids flutter once or twice and eventually close wearily over the eye The unnatural tension of every muscle seemed to relax, and sighing deeply, and apparently quite exhausted Carriston sank back into his chair, with beads of perspiration forming on his white brow The fit was over

In a moment I was at his side and forcing a glass of wine down his throat He looked up at me and spoke His voice was faint but his words were quite collected

"I have seen her again " he said. 'She is well, but so unhappy I saw her kneel down and pray She stretched her beautiful arms out to me And yet I know not where to look for her—my poor love! my poor love '

I waited until I thought he had sufficiently recovered from his exhaustion to talk without injurious consequences 'Carriston, I said 'let me ask you one question are these trances or visions voluntary, or not?'

He reflected for a few moments 'I can't quite tell you he said "I rather I would put it in this way, I do not think I can exercise my power at will But I can feel when the fit is coming on me and I believe I could [illegible] myself from yielding to it

"Very well Now listen Promise me you will fight against those seizures as much as you can If you don't, you will be raving mad in a month

"I can't promise that " said Carriston quietly "I must see her at times I must, or I shall die But I promise to yield as seldom as may be I know, as well as you do, that the very exhaustion I now feel must be injurious to any one.'

In truth he looked utterly worn out Very much dissatisfied with his concession the best I could get from him, I sent him to bed knowing that natural rest, if he could get it would do more than anything else toward restoring a healthy tone to his mind.

CHAPTER VIII

Although Carriston stated that he came to *me for aid, and it may be protection*, he manifested the gravest reluctance in following any advice I offered him The obstinacy of his refusal to obtain the assistance of the police placed me in a predicament That Madeline Rowan had really disappeared I was of course compelled to believe It might even be possible that she was kept against her will in some place of concealment In such a case it behooved us to take proper steps to trace her Her welfare should not depend upon the hallucinations and eccentric ideas of a man half out of his senses with love and grief I all but resolved, even at the risk of forfeiting Carriston's friendship, to put the whole matter in the hands of the police unless in the course of a day or two, we heard from the girl herself or Carriston suggested some better plan.

Curiously enough, although refusing to be guided by me, he made no suggestion on his own account He was racked by fear and suspense yet his only idea of solving his difficulties seemed to be that of waiting. He did nothing He simply waited, as if he expected that chance would bring what he should have been searching for high and low.

Some days passed before I could get a tardy consent that aid should be sought. Even then he would not go to the proper quarter but he allowed me to summon to our councils a man who advertised himself as being a private detective This man, or one of his men, came at our call, and heard what was wanted of him Carriston reluctantly gave him one of Madeline's photographs He also told him that only by watching and spying on Ralph Carriston's every action could he hope to obtain the clew I did not much like the course adopted, nor did I like the look of the man to whom the inquiry was intrusted, but, at any rate something was being done

A week passed without news from our agent Carriston in truth did not seem to expect any I believe he only employed the man in deference to my wishes He moved about the house in a disconsolate fashion I had not told him of my interview with his cousin, but had cautioned him on the rare occasions upon which he went out-of doors to avoid speaking to strangers, and my servants had strict instructions to prevent any one coming in and taking my guest by surprise

For I had, during those days, opened a confidential inquiry on my own account I wanted to learn something about this Mr Ralph Carriston So I asked a man who knows every body to find out all about him

He reported that Ralph Carriston was a man well known about London He was married and had a house in Dorsetshire but the greater part of his time was spent in town Once he was supposed to be well off but now it was the general opinion that every acre he owned was mortgaged, and that he was much pressed for money "But," my informant said, 'there is but one life between him and the reversion to large estates, and that life is a poor one I believe even now [illegible] is a talk about the *man who stands in his way being mad* If so Ralph Carriston will get the management of everything

After this news I felt it more than ever needful to keep a watchful eye on my friend So far as I knew there had been no recurrence of the trance, and I began to hope that proper treatment would effect a complete cure when, to my great alarm and annoyance, Carriston, while sitting with me, suddenly and without warning fell into the same strange state of body and mind as previously described. This time he was sitting in another part of the room. After watching him for a minute or two, and just as I was making up my mind to arouse him and scold him thoroughly for his folly he sprang to his feet, and shouting, 'Let her go! Loose her, I say ' rushed violently across the room—so violently that I had barely time to interpose and prevent him from coming into contact with the opposite wall.

Upon returning to his senses he told me with great excitement, that he had again seen Madeline, moreover, this time he had seen a man with her—a man who had placed his hand upon her wrist and kept it there and so, according to Carriston's wild reasoning, became, on account of the contact visible to him

He told me he had watched them for some moments, until the man, tightening his grip on the girl's arm, endeavored, he thought to lead her or induce her to follow him somewhere At this juncture unaware that it was gazing at a vision he had rushed to her assistance in the frantic way I have described, then he awoke

He also told me he had studied the man's features and general appearance most carefully with a view to future recognition All these ridiculous statements were made as he made the former ones with the air of one relating simple, undeniable facts one speaking the plain unvarnished truth, and expecting full credence to be given to his words

It was too absurd! too sad! It was evident to me that the barrier between his hallucinations, dreams, visions or whatever he chose to call them and pure insanity, was now a very slight and fragile one But before I gave his case up as hopeless I determined to make another strong appeal to his common sense I told him of his cousin's visit to me—of his intentions and proposition I begged him to consider what consequences his extraordinary beliefs and extravagant actions must eventually entail He listened attentively and calmly

"You see now " he said "how right I was in attributing all this to Ralph Carriston—how right I was to come to you a doctor of standing, who can vouch for my sanity

"Vouch for your sanity! How can I if you sit here and talk such [illegible] and expect me to believe it [illegible] from your chair and rush madly [illegible] visionary foe! Sane as you may be [illegible] any evidence I could give in court [illegible] Carriston be reasonable and give [illegible] this sort of thing [illegible] about this search [illegible] in a proper way

He made no reply but walked up and down the room apparently in deep thought My words seemed to have had no effect [illegible] Presently he [illegible] himself [illegible] to avoid returning to the argument [illegible] a book at hazard from my shelves and began to read. He opened the volume at random, but after reading a few lines seemed struck by something that met his eyes and in a few minutes was deeply immersed in the contents of the book I glanced at it to see what had so awakened his interest [illegible] fate that he had chosen a book [illegible] him in his present frame [illegible] recently published [illegible] Blake that most [illegible] was in certain [illegible] Carriston himself I was about to remark [illegible] when he laid down the volume and turned to me

'Varley the painter ' he said 'was a firm believer in Blake's visions '

'Varley was a bigger fool than Blake,' I retorted 'Fancy his sitting down and watching his clever but mad friend draw spectral heads and believing them to be genuine portraits of dead kings whose forms condescended to appear to Blake!'

A sudden thought seemed to strike Carriston 'Will you give me some paper and chalk?' he asked Upon being furnished with these materials he seated himself at the table and began to draw At least a dozen times he sketched with his usual rapidity some object or another and a dozen times after a moment's consideration threw each sketch aside with an air of disappointment, and began a fresh one At last one of his attempts seemed to come up to his requirement 'I have it now, exactly!' he cried with joy even triumph, in his voice He spent some time in putting finishing touches *to this successful sketch, then he handed me* the paper

'That is the man I saw just now with Madeline ' he said 'When I find him, I shall find her " He spoke with all sincerity and conviction I looked at the paper with, I am bound to say, a great amount of curiosity

No matter from what visionary source Carriston had drawn his inspiration, his sketch was vigorous and natural enough. I have already mentioned his wonderful power of drawing portraits from memory, so was willing to grant that he might have reproduced the outline of some face which had somewhere struck him Yet why should it have been this one? His drawing represented the three-quarter face of a man—an ordinary man—apparently between 40 and 50 years of age It was a coarse-featured, ill favored face, with a ragged ruff of hair round the chin. It was not the face of a gentleman, nor even the face of a gently nurtured man, and the artist by a few cunning strokes, had made it wear a crafty and sullen look The sketch, as I write this lies before me, so that I am not speaking from memory

Now there are some portraits of which without having seen the original we say, "What splendid likenesses these must be!" It was so with Carriston's sketch Looking at it you felt sure it was exactly like the man whom it was intended to represent So that with the certain amount of art knowledge, which I am at least supposed to possess, it was hard for me after examining the drawing and recognizing the true artist's touch in every line, to bring myself to accept the *fact that* it was but the outcome of a diseased imagination. As at the [illegible] moment I glance at that drawing I [illegible] blame myself for the question that [illegible] itself in my innermost heart [illegible] —could there be in certain [illegible] powers not yet known, [illegible] investigated?

[illegible] *thought—supposing such a thought* [illegible] ever the —was not discouraged by Carriston who spoke as if his faith in the [illegible] existence of the man whose portrait [illegible] in my hand was unassailable, said

"I noticed that his general appearance was that of a countryman, an Englishman [illegible] the country I shall find my fo[illegible] [illegible] it will be easy to identify them [illegible] from the mill [illegible] at hand As he lay on Madeline's arm I noticed that

I argued with him no more I felt that words would be but wasted

CHAPTER IX

A day or two after I had witnessed what I must call Carriston's second seizure we were favored with a visit from the man whose services we had secured to trace Madeline. Since he had received his instructions we had heard nothing of his proceedings until he now called to report progress in person Carriston had not expressed the slightest curiosity as to where the man was or what he was about Probably he looked upon the employment of this private detective as nothing more useful than a salve to my conscience That Madeline was only to be found through the power which he professed to hold of seeing her in his visions was, I felt certain becoming a rooted belief of his Whenever I expressed my surprise that our agent had brought or sent no information, Carriston shrugged his shoulders and assured me that from the first he knew the man's researches would be fruitless. However the fellow had called at last and, I hoped, had brought us good news

He was a glib tongued man, who spoke in a confident, matter of fact way When he saw us he rubbed his hands as one who had brought affairs to a successful issue and now meant to reap praise and other rewards His whole bearing told me he had made an important discovery, so I begged him to be seated and give us his news.

Carriston gave him a careless glance and at some little distance from us. He looked as if he thought the impending communication scarcely worth the trouble of listening to He might, indeed from his looks have been the most disinterested person of the three He even left me to do the questioning

'Now, then, Mr Sharpe," I said, "let us hear if you have earned your money."

"I think so, sir," replied Sharpe, looking curiously at Carriston, who, strange to say, heard this answer with supreme indifference

'I think I may say I have, sir," continued the detective, "that is if the gentleman can identify these articles as being the young lady's property

Thereupon he produced from a thick letter case a ribbon, in which was stuck a silver pin, mounted with Scotch pebbles an ornament that I remembered having seen Madeline wear Mr Sharpe handed them to Carriston He examined them and I saw his cheeks flush and his eyes grow bright

"Where did you come by this " he cried, pointing to the silver ornament

"I'll tell you presently, sir Do you recognize it?"

"I gave it to Miss Rowan myself "

[illegible] we are on the right track I cried [illegible] Go on, Mr Sharpe

[illegible] gentlemen we are certainly on the [illegible] track but after all it [illegible] the track didn't lead exactly [illegible] [illegible] man gave his [illegible] [illegible] I obeyed [illegible] although I knew I [illegible]

'Will you go on?' said Carriston 'You know where Miss Rowan is? Your money will be paid you the moment [illegible]

'I don't say I know exactly where to find the lady but I can soon know if you wish me to

'Tell your tale your own w shortly as possible, I said, seei excitable friend was preparing on '

'Well there was nothing t by [illegible] watch on the gen mentioned sir, so I went to S tracked back from there As soon a on my own day I found out a The lady went from Callenda burgh, from Edinburgh to Lo London to Folkestone and from to Boulong "

I glanced at Carriston. All l seemed to have returned. He against the mantelpiece and app unmoved by Mr Sharpe's clear as to the route Madeline had tak

'Of course ' continued Mr was not quite certain I was t right person, although her descri sponded with the likeness you ga as you are sure this article of onged to the lady you want th beyond a doubt "

'Of course,' I said, seeing tha had no intention of speaking ' you find it?"

"It was left behind in a bedro of the principal hotels in Folkest go over to Boulong, but after tha I had learned all you would care

There was something in the ma which made me dread what w Again I looked at Carriston. H curved with contempt, but he silence

'Why not have pursued you past Boulong?' I asked

"For this reason, sir I h enough. The theory I had con the right one, after all. The la Edinburgh alone, right enoug didn't leave Edinburgh alone, no leave London alone, nor she did Folkestone—where I found the nor she didn't go to Boulong alon accompanied by a young gent called himself Mr Smith, and, w she called herself Mrs Smith. I was, as they lived like man and w

'Whether the fellow was ri taken, this explanation of Made pearance seemed to give me wha compare to a smack in the face the speaker in speechless astoni the tale he told so glibly and tually was true farewell, so far a cerned, to belief in the love o women Madeline Rowan, that a poet's dream, on the eve of h with Charles Carriston, to fly, whe unwed mattered little, with an And yet she was but a woman or Carr, as she only knew him— eyes poor The companion of might have won her with gold have been Still——

My rapid and wrongful medit cut short in an unexpected way I saw Mr Sharpe dragged bodil chair and flung against the wall riston standing over him, thrash vigorously with his own ash st venient weapon, so convenient Mr Sharpe could not have sele more appropriate for his own c So Carriston seemed to think fo cheerfully some eight or ten strokes

Nevertheless, being a respect and man of peace, I was compell fere I held Carriston's arm, Sharpe struggled to his feet, an lecting his hat and his pocket glaring vengefully at his ass rubbing the while such of the w back as he could reach. Annoy at the unprofessional fracas, I c help laughing at the man's app doubt the possibility of any heroic after such a thrashing

"I'll have the law for this,"

'I ain't paid to be beaten by a m

'You're paid to do my work er's ' said Carriston 'Go to t has overbribed you and sent you your lies Go to him, tell hi more he has failed Out of my

As Carriston showed signs of ing hostile operations, the man f the doorway There, being in safety he turned with a maligna

"You'll smart for this," he s they lock you up as a raving lun and get a post as keeper "

I was glad to see that Carrist attention to this parting shaft his back scornfully, and the fell room and the house

'Now are you convinced?' a ton, *turning to me*

'Convinced of what? That hi true or that he has been mislea certain "

'Tush! That is not worth co Don't you see that Ralph has do I set that man to watch him, he the espionage, suborned my age agent I should say, sent him trumped up tale Oh, yes, I w that Madeline had deserted me— drive me out of my senses. My fool after all!

'Without further proof I ca that your suspicions are correct I must own I spoke with some h

"*Proof! A clever man like y* see ample proof in the fact of having twice called me a madm seen him but once before—you kn gave him any grounds for mak assertion Tell me, from who have I learned the word except Carriston!"

I was bound, *if only to save m* tation for sagacity, to confess th noted by Carriston had raised co in my mind But if Ralph Car *was trying by some finely wro* to bring about what he desire all the more reason for great c exercised

I am sorry you beat the fell

'He will now swear right and l are not in your senses."

Of course he will What do

'Only remember this. It is put in an asylum than to get ou

'It is not so very easy for a s myself to be put in, especially w his guard I have looked up the must be a certificate signed by surgeons or I believe apothec who have seen the supposed l and together I'll take very speak to no doctor save yourse out of the way of surgeons caries

It quite cheered me to hear l so sensibly and collectedly ab but I again impressed upon hi great caution Although I c lieve that his cousin had tal away I was after the affair w inclined to think that, as Carri he [illegible] getting him, sane o [illegible]

But after all these days we step nearer to the discovery o whereabouts Carriston made doing anything to facilitate th Again I urged him to intrust t fair to his [illegible] Again he r so all [illegible] that he was [illegible] Ready for what I wondered!

The Italian idea of arrangin a bed of flowers, and a pretty meet with deserved favor.